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Herr Brandt ready o head commission

igton, Jan 14

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sed of people of high in-ional stature, capable of diverse ·such zations as the World the International Moneund (IMF), the General nent on Teriffs and Trade and the Organization for mic Cooperation and pment (OECD) into pre-technical studies. The ssion must be capable of izing the political to produce new agreements.

Mr McNamara's statement.

and one issued by Dr Waldheim today, both underline the recognition of these leaders that so far the political will appears to be lacking to ensure that workable agreements arise from the initiatives that led to the seventh special session of the United Nations, from last United Nations, from last spring's United Nations Conference on Trade and Develop-ment (UNCTAD), in Nairobi, and from the continuing North-South dialogue in Paris.

Mr McNamara has done a great deal of work in preparing ground for the success of the initiative he announced to day. He recognizes that the commission must have a secretariat and some funding, and he noted that he has already received indications of financial support from numerous foreign

This new scheme results largely from Mr McNamara's deep frustration concerning the unwillingness of wealthier nations to raise their development aid contributions. Using the opportunity of a change of administration in Washington. the World Bank President singled out the United States for extraordinarily bitter criti-

He said the United States was one of the poorest per-formers among rich developed nations in granting develop-ment sid. He noted that "even dogs and cats in America today n, and to recommend have a better standard of to be taken by both to be taken by both

nations ... The speech, which was given at a meeting of the World Affairs Council, noted that more than 1,000 million people today have incomes below \$200 (£118) a year. Mr McNamara said the outlook for these people in the next decade was

appalling".
Dr Waldheim noted that he was keenly interested in Mr McNamara's idea and that he "attaches the greatest import-ance and priority to ongoing processes of deliberation and negociations in various forums toward the establishment of the new international economic order'. . . Current negotia-tions should proceed with a order? new sense of urgency.

Home loans rate is maintained at 12¹/₄ pc

By Margaret Stone

After a month of indecision the Building Societies Association has committed itself to retention of the mortgage rate of 123 per cent and the investment interest rate of 7.8 per

The decision was taken at yesterday's meeting of the council of the association. Building society leaders, many of whom supported the idea of a 13 per cent mortgage rate last month, were influenced by a gentle easing of interest rates

After the very low level of net receipts of £23m in November, it seemed that the societies might experience a net outflow of funds last month. But after Christmas shopping and buying in advance of December's economic measures, the situation im-proved towards the end of the

Net receipts for December totalled £27m and during the month the societies lent £479m to home buyers. The amount promised to prospective purchasers, at £371m, was the lowest commitment figure for the year, but as Mr Norman Griggs, secretary general of the association, pointed out: "This hardly represents a famine".

January is traditionally a very good month for building society investment. Most societies pay out inverest this month and here are many investors who reinvest it almost immediately. Early monitorings indicate that net receipts could rise to about

Further improvement will be looked for larer in the year but it seems unlikely that the societies will be able to maintain their lending at the rate of £6.000m, the total they managed to achieve last year. They are expected so aim at up to £5.000m.

Welcoming the decision to peg the morrgage rate at the current level. Mr Anthony Cavanna, president of the Housebuilders' Federation, expressed concern vesterday that the total lending by societies this year will be considerably lower than last

Lord Widgery to hear Stonehouse plea

John Stonehouse, the former who is serving a seven-year jail sentence for fraud, theft and deception, will seek leave in the Court of Appeal on January 24 to appeal against his conviction and sentence. The hearing, expected to last

two days, will be before Lord Widgery, the Lord Chief Justice, and two other judges. Mr Stone house will not appear. Mr Stonehouse, now serving

his sentence at Blandeston Prison, Suffolk, will be repre-sented by Mr Louis Blom-Cooper, QC.

His secretary, Mrs Sheila Buckley, aged 30, was given a two-year suspended jail sentence after her conviction on theft

Italian archaeologists unveil high culture of unknown third millennium BC state

Clay tablets will revolutionize earliest history of mankind

From Patricia Clough Rome, Jan 14

The insueuse importance of some 16,500 clay rablets dug up by Italian archaeologists in Syria is beginning to emerue after a preliminary study of the

texts.
The tablets are the state archives of Eble, a state about which nothing was known previously except the name, and which flourished during the third millennium BC. The ancient city, at a spor now called Tell Mardikh, 30 miles from Aleppo, is being excavated by a team from Rome Universrty. The cablets were unearthed in 1975 and 1976.

Professor Giovanni Petrinao. the ream's language expert, has

of the texts to ascertain the contents but as yet only a small proportion have been studied

thoroughly. Professor Paolo Matthiae, the head of the team, described the find as "staggering". The con-tents of the archive would revolutionize knowledge of the Middle East during that period. Hitherto it was assumed that the main centres of power and culture in the Middle East during the third millennium were Mesopotamia and Egypt and

of little importance. It was also generally supposed that the overall picture would change little with further excavations. find, Professor

in about 2,400 BC which was a political, economic and military power that rivalied Meso-potamia. Above all it was a great commercial empire which

western Iran to the sea. Like the other two empires it had a written languagecuneiform script—and a highly developed culture. that Spria was a peripheral area

did business over a large area

of the Middle East from Anatolia to Palesone and from

The second important aspect of the discovery is the pre-viously unknown language in which many of the tablets were

Matthiae says, is "like a kind of earthquake which has put is one of the Semitic tamily of servy many things in doubt". In the first place it has and Hebrew. It is the oldest written Semitic language, as the other languages Marshiae says, is "like a kind written. Now called Eblaire, it texts in the other languages appear only 1,300 years later.

> The language is being deciphered without too great diffically by comparing it to other Semitic languages. The study is being greatly helped by the presence of bilingual text and actual dictionaries from Eblaite into Sumeric, the language of southern Mesopotamia, vice versa. These dictionaries in turn will help scholars to translate hitherto incomprehen-

Professor Matthiae dismisses as "silly" recurrent press

reports that the archives in some way support parts of the Old Testament.

It is true, he says, that Professor Pettinato has deciphered the names of two cities which appear similar to those of Sudom and Gomorran This may mean that the Jewish story about their wickedness and destruction may refer to two cities which actually

existed. But it is unscientific, he says. to suggest that, just because the language was similar to Hebrew, the people of Ebla may have been the ancestors of the Jews. The Jews appeared in the Middle East a thousand years later and much could

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Queen pays tribute to Lord Avon as man of courage and integrity

By Pixilip Howard
Lord Avon, the former Prime
Minister Sir Anthony Eden and
the last of the old school of sleep yesterday at the age of

He was flown back from Florida by the RAF earlier this year, on the twentieth anniver-ary of the day that he resigned as Prime Minister at the height of the Suez crisis, when his health began to deteriorate because of progressive liver failure. He wanted to die in England, and came home to his country house at Alvediston, near Salisbury.

Anthony Eden was the youngest Foreign Secretary of

this century, and served in the office for 14 years. He made his glittering reputation before the war as the champion of the League of Nations, the staunch opponent of Fascism, and the man who resigned from the National Government in 1938 in protest against the policy of appeasement

He was hear apparent to Sir Winston Churchill for roo long, and his career as Prime Minister from April, 1955, to January, 1957, ended in the controversy watershed of Suez. The Oueen sept a message of

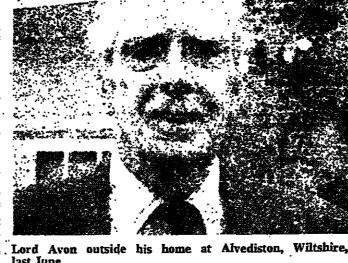
ympathy from Sandringham to Lady Avon, who was with him when he died. It included the passage: "As a gallent soldier in the First World War and as statesman in the Second and in many years of peace, he gave outstanding service to his country. He will be remembered in history above all as an our standing diplomat and as a man of courage and integrity."

The Government issued a statement from Downing Street

statement from Downing Street expressing deep regret at Lord Avon's death. It ended:

"His period as Prime
Minister was brought to an end
before it had time to develop

fully by ill bealth, leading to his resignation in 1957, after 34 years in the House of Commons. This coincided with concroversy over the Suez operation, but we shall remember that his premiership was also marked by his endeavour to relax the Cold War at the summit conference Geneva-the scene of much of his international activity in course of strenuous service to his country. We mourn the passing of a distinguished parliamentarian and a statesman exceptional experience and etermination." The Prime Minister and others will pay personal tri-butes to Lord Avon in the House of Commons on Monday.



last June.

past' precedents, on the death of a former Prime Minister or eminent politician such as Hugh Gaitskell, the House will then adjourn as a gesture of respect.

Mrs Thatcher, Leader of the Opposition, said: "Political and personal courage were his outstanding attributes. He was one of his country's greatest Foreign Secretaries, working continually for an enduring peace on the basis of mutual re-spect. He will be remembered throughout the country as a gallant soldier, an ourstanding diolomat, and a great pauriot."
Lord Butler of Saffron Walden, one of his oldest parhameutary and Cabinet col-leagues, said: "He was the most gallant public man who ever served war record and continuing to his determination in standing up for the Suez Canal as an international waterway and resisting its takeover by Nasser.

Lord Selwon-Lloyd, his Foreign Secretary, said: "His outstanding qualities were his courage and perception. He was a brilliant negotiator, but he also knew a great deal about the feelings of ordinary people on everyday matters, and he had the courage to take difficult decisions. Lord Home of the Hirsel,

Commonwealth Relations Secretary in the Eden Government and another former Prime Minister, paid tribute to Lord Avon as a rare politician who be-lieved in principles.

He said: "It was particularly distressing that Suez virtually brought an end to his political career; and he was particularly unhappy at the breach in relations with the United States, for he had always worked hard to keep intimate contact with our main ally."

Mr Averell Harriman, Lord Mr Averell Harriman. Lord Avon's contemporary and the dean of American diplomats, said that the world had lost one of the great men of his generation. Lord Avon was spending a holiday at Mr Harriman's summer frome in Florida when he became ill. The fineral of the lest of

The funeral of the last of the great Foreign Secretaries of days when Great Britain was a world power will be a private family occasion at memorial service later. Lord Avon is survived by his second wife, Clarissa, daughter of Major John Spencer-Churchili and niece of Sir Winston; and by the second son of his first marriage, Lord Eden, who sucmarriage, Loro Euro, ceeds to the title.
Heath tribute: Mr Edward Heath, another former Prime said: "For my Minister, said: "For my generation in the 1930s he epitomized with Winston Churchill, the stand against the European dictators, a service to his country which was continued throughout the Second World War and again in the first half of the 1950s (the

Press Association reports). Leading article, page 15 Obituary, page 17

Chief constables fear breakdown in law and order over cash cuts

Britain's chief police officers have warned Mr Rees, the Home Secretary, that he faces a breakdown in law and order this year unless the police receive pay rises.

Curbacks in public spending decided by the Government have been so, stringent, chief constables representing forces in England, Wales and Northern Ireland say, that "it will be very difficult, if not impossible" for the police fully to discharge their duties.

The views of the chief constables arrived on Mr Rees's desk yesterday after a long and at times alarming meeting at Scotland Yard. One chief constable said last

night: "Without the money we need, the Government's decision to cut back on local government spending will be tantamount to a criminal's charter. People will be able literally to help themselves and our manpower will be so weak on the ground that we shall not be able to stop them."

of cadets has come almost to a standstill in some areas where in a few cases mousands, below their establishments. Some cadet centres have had to be closed in an attempt to prune budgets. Mr Peter Manhews, Chief

Constable of Surrey, said: "Civilian staff have had to be replaced by taking policemen off operational duties to do office work. This reduction in expenditure will seriously affect the maintenance of law and In Hampshire Sir Douglas

Osmond, the chief constable, said ket night: "We are 400 men short but to save money have had to close the cade! training centre."

In Cambridgesbire the police

budget has been trimmed by £700,000, and 49 out of 59 waffic wardens may lose their jobs. Two features of future expenditure the police chiefs feel that Government has overlooked are pensions, which increase annually, as does the or be able to stop them." number of recipients, and the Recrusting and the training Silver Jubilee celebrations

Town Hall overtime ban from April 1

By Christopher Thomas

A national overtime ban is to be imposed from April 1 by the National and Local Government Officers' Association (Nalgo) in protest at the Government's economic strategy and the con- sorthcoming. tinued curb on public spending.
The decision, taken at a special one-day conference of the union in London yesterday, was in defiance of a recommendation by the union's

executive. The conference was the first big test of rank-and-file trade union opinion over the handling of the economy and the possi-bility of some form of pay policy next year. The outcome leaves no doubt that the social contract is now under intense

The 2,000 delegates rejected a call for a straight rejection of any continuation of the social contract on a card vote by 334,000 to 276,000, a surpris-Another big decision, also in defiance of the executive, was

to refuse to cooperate with any development of the local government service arising trom central government instructions, uniess the money to do it is The likely effect of the over-

according to Mr Geoffrey Drain, Nalgo general secretary, it will bring some services to a halt. He said: "There will be no danger to life and limb." The ban was initially rejected on a hand vote by 510 to 498, but carried on a card vote by a decisive 249,000 to 198,000. The mood of the conference came as a surprise to the

union's executive, who opposed all amendments to their own resolution, which called for alternative economic policies in line with the TUC approach. The conference rejected by a substantial majority a call for a national strike from March 1, but again the size of the vote in favour was an indication of the

er Finch ically ill

Angeles, Jan 14.—Peter the Australian-born was said to be in a very . condition in hospital feer apparently suffering rt attack at a Beverly

Finch, aged 60, is said to der consideration for an nomination for his role twork, one of his most films.—Reuter and AP.

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cologize to readers who ot receive The Times AR A E lay. The qualifying purche 1977 Carry Sark/Times which appeared yesterday sated on page 7.

EEC ready to act against Britain over increase in taxes levied on wine

From Alan Wood Luxembourg, Jan 14

Mr Richard Burke, Ireland, the Eucopean Commissioner for fiscal policy and protection of consumer interests, indicated in a reply to a question at the European Parliament late last night that the Commission was taking action against Britain because of increased tax being levied on wine. The action is being taken under article 169 of the Treaty

It is maintained that the British taxes levied on wine contravene exticle 95 which lays down that "no member state may impose, directly or indirectly, on the products of

of Rome.

other member states any internal taxation of any kind in excess of that imposed directly or indirectly on domestic products".

The "similar domestic product" cired is beer. It is possible that Britain might argue whether beer and wine

Under the procedure in the treaty, the commission will be writing to the British Government pointing out that Britain is breaking the rules. The Treasury will consider the matter and after the British Government has replied to the Commission, the latter will review the situation.

If the Commission is still dissatisfied, there can be a second

exchange of letters and after that the Commission, if it so decides, may inform Britain that it proposes to take it to the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg for a ruling.

in those circumstances, the case can drag on. The view here is that there is no desire to come into conflict with Britain over this issue but rules are rules. The main problem focing wine growers is the declining demand in France and Italy.

There may be some wry smiles in Britain by those who consider there is a touch of Irish in the Commission even thinking that a Labour Government was protecting the brewers when the present level of tax on wine was fixed.

European MPs seek quick action on terrorism

Luxembourg, Jan 14 The European Parliament, in s rare mood of unanimity, carried a resolution today calling on all states and national parliaments of the Community

o ratify immediately the Euro Convention on Suppression of Terrorism.
The convention, drawn up iast Autumn by the Council of Europe, will be signed on January 24. Sir Peter Kirk, leader of the Conservative group at the European Parlia-ment, moving the resolution on behalf of all six political groups, said he understood

Sir Peter explained that

From Our Parliamentary Staff under the convention it would not be open to terrorists to plead that they could not be extradited from one member state to another because their action was political.

action was political.

The remainder of today's proceedings, in what has been generally regarded as British week, was occupied by a series of resolutions and reports on environmental and consumer

protection matters.

Britain's second new commisstoner, Mr Christopher Tugen-dhat, disclosed during a discussion on packing and labelling that in making the move to Brussels he had bought his wife a pocket calculator to help her nany governments had already Indicated their intention to adjust to the new quantities sign on that day and ensure and measurements. ratification as early as possible.

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nions press on th plans for Africa boycott

t trade unions pressed on yesterith plans for a trade and communicaboycom on South Africa next week e strong criticism from industry and successful action in the High Court. ig for the boycott came from the 2 trade union grouping. Force re, which claims to represent 60,000 country's 429,000 post office ems, although other unions said they not ect .

of Rights move

onservative leadership is supporting to write a Bill of Rights into the tion Bill because it sees that as a owards such a Bill for Britain as le, our Political Staff writes. Mr as Edwards, the Tory spokesman on , has attacked "hysteria" among tters of a Welsh assembly Page 2

Suicides at 'rat-pit'. hospital, doctor says

Two patients had committed suicide recently because of the "rat-pit" conditions at Hackney Hospital, east London, a consultant psychiatrist said. At St. Bartholomew's 500 ancillary workers have ended a strike over a pay dispute. Their representatives will meet the management next week to discuss the workers' grievances, which centre on a new rota Page 3

Import curbs call

Sir Ronald McIntosh, director-general of the National Economic Development Office, said that he would be in favour of import restrictions to protect some British industries. He cited the electronics sector as an example, when addressing a conference on industrial strategy Page 19 Greig rescues England England recovered from a bad start to score 171 for five at the end of the first day's play in the third Test match against India at Madras. Greig led the rescue in a fourth wicket partnership of 109 with Brearley

John Woodcock, page 7

Right-wing trick in Spain suspected

A senior Spanish official says he thinks the kidnappers of Senor Antonio Maria de Oriol, the King's adviser, are rightwing extremists masquerading as antifascists. The group claiming to hold him has demanded the release of 15 alleged terrorists. The official says the effect of this is to impede Government amnesty

Record stock issue

stock signals the Government's intention to maintain a sedete pace in re-ducing interest rates. The Bank of England also indicated that the minimum lending rate would remain unchanged at 14 per cent for the time being Page 19 RUC reservist killed: An off-duty reserve policeman was killed in Ulster by a boobytrap device in his car

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new interest in potential of Cyprus

The issue of a record £1,250m long-dated

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High Court move fails | Court ruling | to stop unions' plans for S Africa boycott

Undeterred by strong criticism from industry and an attempt in the High Court to impede their actions. British trade unions yesterday con-tinued with their plans to impose a trade and communications boycott on South Africa

next week.

In the High Court a indgerefused an application by the
National Association for Freedom, headed by Lord De L'Isle, vC, which attempted to stop the Union of Post Office Workers from impeding mail, telegrams and telephone calls to South Africa from midnight

tomorrow.

The CBI described the proposed action as "totally irresponsible" and said it would harm the interests of workers in both countries.

It must damage our trade with one of our best markets, which buys well over £600m of goods a year from us and provides jobs for over 70,000 Britans", the CBI said. "Disruption of this trade can only be called totally irresponsible at a time when we ought to be doing our nemost to improve our balance of payments and reduce unem-ployment, as indeed the TUC and CBI jointly urged in their export year message a formight

Yesterday Mr David Basnett, general secretary of the General and Municipal Workers' Union, said he had instructed branches cooperate with any local crivities designed to support the international protest.

The union has circulated a

list of almost 50 companies with South African subsidiaries so that their members can ask employers what they are doing about black workers and recog-nition of their unions.

The national executive of the Association of Scientific, Tech-tical and Managerial Staffs said they gave full backing to the

Campaign.
Other unions, including the
Transport and General Workers'
Union and the National Union
of Seamen, have given full supunion leaders whose dedica-tion to democracy is apparent from their hospitality to com-munist envoys".

According to the Telephone Users' Association, the action was a denial of a fundamental freedom of telephone users to call whom they choose. Heathrow protest: A telegrame delploring the TUC attitude to-

wards South Africa was sent to Mr Len Murray, general secre-tary, by a group o firede unionists at Heathrow airport. "2We, your paymasters, in-struct you to devote your time and our money to rooting out the cancer of communism with in the TUC and the Government. "The communists are a bigger threat to our democracy

than South Africa." Hope for black unions, page

Open verdict on Windscale man who died of cancer

been employed at the Windscale atomic energy station in Cumbria was investigated at an inquest in Winchester yester-day. But the coroner failed to discover why Mr David Berry, aged 22, died two months after finishing work at the plant. open verdict was

recorded.

Mr Berry, a civil engineering student, died at his home ar Littleton, near Winchester.

His father, Mr Horace Berry, sked Mr R. S. L. Bowker, the Vinchester coroner: "Is it Vinchester coroner: "Is it cossible he could have had creer contact with radiation that was not monitored? His foremen told me he had had physical contact with radio-active material by touching a handrail that had been con-taminated and had to scrub off for some time afterwards to

remove it.
"I know that when you go out you have to put your hands cabinet. He did and the alarm bells rang."

Mr Bowker said that Mr Berry had worked at Windscale October 10 last year. "When he started work at Windscale he was in good health, bur soon after he left he became ill." The coroner said that the cause of death was reticulosis, one has died as a direct result a form of cancer, adding that of their activities in the combine had adjourned the inquest so that Dr Peter Pullar, a Home energy.

department of Southampton University. "There is no known cause for reticulosis," Dr Pullar said. It can apparently occur from

After the inquest Mr Berry's

A foreman at Windscale had told him that a handrail became contaminated when someone touched it with a con-

showing someone some repaired checked on his way out of Windscale he had to put his hands in a special cabinet—and verdict is important in the present nuclear debate on public

port to international action.

Mr Harold Soref, chairman Mr Harold Soret, chairman of the Africa committee of the Monday Club, said: "The illegal tampering with her Majesty's mail and telecommunications means that mail can only now be destined for the pen-pals of Messrs Jackson and Jones and other trade union. Leaders, whose dedica-

Office pathologist, could make Dr Pullar said he had re ceived a medical report from the chief medical officer at Windscale and the radiotherapy

> natural causes or can arise from exposure to radiation. If it arises from natural causes it does usually attack young people."

father said that he was reasonably happy with the

taminated safety glove.
"David leaned over and touched the rail when he was When he was Science Editor writes The

the alarm bells rang. safety because the Atomic Energy Authority and British Nuclear Fuels maintain that no

may mean. a change in drug law

on drug abuse are expected to on trug, abuse are experted to study the implications of a judgment in the Court of Appeal this week which has created a loophole in the law created a looptole in the law controlling cannabis possession.

On Thursday the court ruled that possession of the leaves of the plant, although they contain active chemical agents, did not miringe the Misuse of Drugs Act, 1971. The court ruled that the term "flowering and fruiting tops" used in the Act aid not apply to the leaves.

not apply to the leaves.

A decision on whether to appeal to the House of Lords rests with the Director of Public Prosecutions. If an appeal is defeated the Home Office may consider amending the Act. the Act.

The Act ellows for additions to the schedule of counciled drugs by means of an Order in Council, but that must go through Parliament.

through Parliament.

With regard to convictions for cannabis possession the hoophole disclosed by the judgiment is not large, since most convictions are for possession of cannabis resin, which remains covered by the Act. Leaves can be obtained by growing the plant but cultivation of cannabis remains an offence.

Some experts feel the ruling teaves open the question of can-nabis resin and other substances in the leaves which are con-trolled elsewhere in the Act and could still mean a prosecu-tion connected with possession

of the leaves. The Home Office may decide it does not need to amend the Act because of that, or else that it needs a clear ruling before any further prosecutions are brought based on possession of

the feaves above.

The Home Office will examine transcripts of the judgment to see whether the sirustion is

Yesterday Release, the organi-zation that provides legal aid and advice for drug offenders, said the court had not cleared up the position regarding derivatives from the leaves. Offenders might face penalties similar to those for heroin because of the classification of some derivatives under the Act.
The organization called on Mr Rees, the Home Secretary, to instruct the Advisory Council

on the Misuse of Drugs to recannabis. Last year a working party produced reports on can-nabis use in Britain. Release said: "The confu-sion caused by Thursday's rul-ing on cannabis leaves will necessitate a review of the pre-

sent law, and Release is press-ing for a full and public discussion of the issue before hasty amending legislation is enacted. Release believes it is the duty of Parliament to make immediate moves towards the complete legislation of this harmless herb." -

Cardinal Conway

Cardinal Conway, aged 54, head of the Roman Catholic Church in Ireland, was recover-ing in a Dublin hospital yester-day after a gail bladder

Tory leaders back devolution 'Bill of Rights'

By David Leigh Political Staff

Conservative efforts to write a Bill of Rights into the Government's devolution Bill are being championed by the party's From Bench. They see it as a step in the campaign to get a Bill of Rights for the United Kingdom as a whole. At the same time the Con-servatives Welsh spokesman, Mr Nicholas Edwards, has launched an attack on thusiasts campaigning for a Weish assembly, which the Tories are trying to throw out of the Bill. They were showing hysteria, he said last night.

Mr Leon Brittan (Cleveland and Whitby), said at Stokesley, North Yorkshire: "One of the problems presented by at least some of the methods for enact-ing a Bill of Rights for the United Kingdom is that is might be thought to conflict with the doctrine of the sovereignty of Parliament. enables Parliament to pass legislation of any kind, prevents one Parliament bind

ing its successors. These considerations do not apply to the Scottish and Welsh assemblies, because it is not suggested they should be suggested sovereign Parliaments".

If Conservative amendments were passed, he said, an indi-

Bone marrow transfusion: Peter Dewhurst,

aged nine, with his mother and father at

Hammersmith Hospital, London, yesterday,

brother, Leslie, aged 11, in a bone marrow chance of success.

Appreheusive bakers broke a quick decision. "We do not teir silence in the bread disaccept that trade unions have ute yesterday and appealed the right or the justification to

Union are to fix a minimum deliveries".

price of 19n for a large minimum deliveries ".

are to meet on Monday about persuade families to bake their

the possibility of a 19p minimum for England.

Grocers who refuse to fix in wax, she said. "I know minimum prices at levels as very well that women can prohigh as those fixed by the duce better bread than that, and drivers face a boycott of supplies. The Federation of Bakers cannot get this tasteless pro-

Bakers appeal to Acas in

bread delivery dispute

their silence in the bread dis-pute yesterday and appealed

for help to the Advisory, Con-ciliation and Arbitration Ser-

vice (Acas). They were spurred

on by the prospect of much more widespread action by

deliverymen against cheap

price of 19p for a large wrapped

Scottish van drivers in the

bread next week

vidual who claimed that his rights under the European Convention had been infringed by the Scots or Welsh could go to

"I believe that if these amendments are passed, and the provisions relating to the Bill of Rights are seen to work in Scotland and Wales, the case for a United Kingdom Bill of Rights would be immeasurably strengthened." strengthened.

The official Conservative Opposition are trying hard to demonstrate their reasonable and constructive attitude to devolution in principle. At the same time their unregenerate backbenchers continue to plan wrecking campaigns. Several hundred more amendments are going to be tabled in addition to the 300 or so already published.

The most destructive official Tory effort is going into trying to remove Wales from the Fill. The clauses should come up in committee next week, when both Government and Opposition expect a narrow Govern-ment victory by between 15 and 25 votes.

But Mr Edwards took a fierce

line when he spoke at Newport last night against the Welsh Assembly Action Committee, which has been sponsoring full-page advertisements in local

where he will act as donor today for his doctors say the transfusion has an even

attempt to dictate commercial policy in the way some of their members have been doing recently, it said.

It wanted Acas to "advise

federation members how best to deal with the situation con-

fronting them and to restore

Mrs Reneé Short, Labour MP

The group, which includes Sir Alun Talfan Davies, QC, and Mr George Wright, secretary of the Wales TUC, said that exper-ration of a directly elected Welsh assembly had built up to a point where frustration would dangerously threaten social har-mony in Wales and relationships

in Britain as a whole. Mr Edwards said that was deplorable. "The use of this kind of language is in itself a direct incitement to social dis-

The panence of the majority ought not to be tested too far. "The majority in Wales who do not speak the Welsh language have in recent years accepted many changes that for them are inconvenient and appendix." them are inconvenient and expensive."

Opponents of constitutional upheaval had put up tolerantly with accusations of disloyalty to their country. They would bitterly resent intolerance, and They would offensive and inflammatory language ought to be avoided.

SNP taxation demand: All taxation raised in Scotland, including North Sea oil revenues, income tax and company tax, should be under the control of the Scottish assembly, the Scottish National Party said in Edinburgh yesterday (Ronald Faux writes from

the Government's devolution Bill, it proposed that a Scottish exchaguer set up by the assembly would give to the Whitehall Treasury a "block grant" to cover the cost of financing matters not devolved to the assembly

assembly. A statement from Mr Douglas Crawford, spokesman on finance and industry and MP for Perth and East Perthshire, said the amendments also proposed that the assembly should have power to alter or abolish taxes in Scot-

The Scottish exchequer would be the repository of all taxes used to finance all matters devolved to the assembly. It should have the power to reduce interest rates without regard to the United Kingdom base rate.

"Our proposals have the virtue of simplicity and will save money", he said.

The SNP added a proposal that control of the Scottish Development Agency should be vested entirely with the assembly and that the assembly should have authority to increase the budgets of both the agency and the Highlands and Islands Development Board, which at present, it said, were set an imaccentably low set at an unacceptably low level.

Booby-trap bomb kills RUC reservist

From Christopher Walker Belfast

An off-duty police reservist was murdered in co Londonderry and two bombs exploded inside the 10ft high security barrier which guards the commercial heart of Belfast as the Provisional IRA's intensified campaign of violence continued

The high level of violence in the new year, including the kill-ing of three soldiers, reflects a firmly held belief among Provisional IRA activists that the Government is closer to order-ing a military withdrawal than at any time since 1969.

Many are convinced that only a so-called "last push" is needed despite repeated public denials by Mr Mason, Secretary of State, that any withdrawal of the Army is being considered.

Yesterday's victim was Mr James Greer, aged 27. He was killed as he drove his car to work by a booby-trap device detonated by fishing wire antached to the steering wheel. The explosion occurred only a few yards from the house where he lived with his wife and believe warears. elderly parents.

The Belfast bombs destroyed a men's wear shop and damaged a bairdressing shop. Detectives suspect that teenage girls from republican areas concealed the loaf on Tuesday. Drivers in the for Wolverhampton, North-east, tion between men and women. republican areas concealed the United Road Transport Union called on the Government to Its budget for education and components of the bombs in their clothes and smuggled them past the security checks.

The first peace rally aimed specifically at young people is to be staged in Belfast tomorrow by Youth for Peace, a newly formed wing of the Northern Ireland peace movement.

3 hurt and houses damaged i gas blast

From Ronald Kershaw

A gas explosion belie have been caused by a mical road digger fract service pipe damaged houses and injured two and a workman at Lee terday. It happened at the h

Dent Street, near the centre, of Mrs Margar mond, who suffered expenses burns and a fractured s Her neighbour. Mrs Adams, aged 81, suffere, to her head, and Mr Hemingway, a worke Cross Street, Wakefiel fered burns and chest i "In the Calder Vall, of West Yorkshire 125 g neers were working stretch to restore supp some 6,000 customers, caused, it is thought

weather. Work, which has bee Work, which has bee pered by snow and is continue over the war Emergency feeding ments have been set up local authority. Towns: were Hebden Bridge, stall and Upper Mytho Bungalow blast: A bung Tonbridge, Kent, was damaged by a suspecexplosion vesterday (the explosion yesterday (the Association reports). The in Higham Lane, blew the air. No one was in In Glasgow a working treated for shock after cylinder exploded in t centre after rolling off a

Tunnel linkunder Tham Engineers working fre

through the last few chalk yesterday to join

two sections of the secon ford tunnel. The £25.8m tunnel, will become part of the orbital route, is due to pleted towards the end year. A joint project l Kent and Essex county c it will be financed from

Prisoner give leave to appe

sentence, was given leav High Court yesterday it prison visitors that he to n a rooftop demonstra Hull prison. Mr St Germain claim written statement to Queen's Bench Divisiona

contrary to prison rules a rules of natural justice. Prisoner's protest

After sitting for three on a roof in Toxteth, Live yesterday, in protest aga five-year sentence for c aged 23, of Welwyn Manchester, returned to pool prison. He had a from an escort during h

Delay granted over monk's deportation By a Staff Reporter

The High Court yesterday issued a stay of execution of the deportation order against the two Indian monks of the Ananda Marga movement whose application for political asylum in Britain has been rejected by the Home Office, pending a new court hearing next Friday.

The court granted leave for an application to be heard on behalf of Mr Ramswareth Roy and Mr Narmadeshwar Prasad for a writ of prohibition against the Home Secretary to prevent the monks from being deported to Nepal, where they have lived since 1975.

In a statement to the Commons on Tuesday Mr Rees, Home Secretary, said the monks belonged to a violent ring of the movement and that ir presence in this country was not "conducive to the pub he good "

Mr Roy, who has been on a hunger strike for the past week in profest against the deporta-tion order, and Mr Prasad have written to Mr Rees claiming that his charge that they were connected with violence was "entirely false and baseless". Non-violence was one of the central tenets of the moral code of the Ananda Marga movement, they said.

Agee move to bring in US witnesses

By a Staff Reporter The Home Office advisory committee hearing representations by Mr Philip Agee, the former CIA agent, against his deportation adjourned yesterday for three weeks to allow him to bring six witnesses from the United States. He refused to name the witnesses or to give information about them. tion for unspecified reasons of national security, was ques-tioned yesterday by the committee about visits to Cuba. He said he first went to Cuba for research material for his back on the CIA. He returned to discuss a book on the CIA and the Cuban regime.

Student gets four years for blackmail

aged 25, after taking mildly pornographic photographs of her, was told by Judge Polson, QC: "The country is well rid of people who behave as you behaved. It seems that truth

The student, earlier described

by the Crown as "a liar, a cheat and a fraud", was also found guilty of two charges of blackmailing a fellow Iranian, Miss Alvina Piramoun, by demanding £47 and £20.

hanten frince minister in a furnitions and presumably warm coach, followed by some fifty journalists and photographers in a less luxurious and ex-

tremely cold coach and several people in cars who seemed to have tagged along for no ob-

vious reason.

The object appeared to be to demonstrate Mr Callaghan's particular concern about British industry, or the lack of it. First

stop was a converted ware-house in Rotherhithe, where he chatted to three silversmiths, asked them how business was and held up a handsome bowl for the benefit of the photo-graphers.

graphers.

The sightseeing continued by way of a theatre workshop, the pump-engine house for Brunel's Thames tunnel, a park-keeper's

nut and the wasteland of the former Surrey Docks, where a Texas firm has said it hopes to build a huge "trade mart". Across the river in the Lon-

By John Young Planning Reporter

meant "bours of humilating cross-examination" of the blackment vicious. He added:

of people who behave as you behaved. It seems that truth to you has no meaning whatever."

Mr Emami, aged 23, was found guilty of blackmailing his sideration and fairness and you have had a fair crack of the Sharp, aged 37, by demanding £50 for not showing the "topless" pictures to Mrs Sharp's are the rial is concerned.

"You have been described as a rethylogical line. It seems that

of State for the Environment,

who is also MP for Tower Ham-

not yet been officially pub-lished, and when an indiscreet reporter asked him where the

money was coming from, Mr Callaghan became distinctly

tetchy.

At the West India and Mill-wall docks, where ships still actually load and unload cargo, events became slightly, though

only slightly, more down to earth. The Prime Minister and Mr Shore clambered over storage tasks in a bulk wine warehouse and met three dockers' shop stewards, who presented them with a report

of a conference held last month

at Queen Mary College, which evidently was thought to con-

tain useful reading.

By that time photographers

were agitating for a picture of Mr Callaghan posed elegantly against a background of wharves and cranes. But the

a pathological liar. It seems that truth to you has no meaning whatever. You invented lie after lie. You thought by doing that you could ultimately get away with this. Referring to the offence slapped her face and threatened against Miss Piramoun, the to kill her.

Mr Callaghan's rainswept

A bizarre cavalcade made its

A bizarre cavalcade made its
way yesterday through the bleak, rainswept London docklands. It was headed by a furnative Prime Minister in a plans on display for a new, green and lovely Wapping have the property of the propert

Across the river in the Lou-don Docks Mr Callaghan was and he was hustled off to lunch joined by Mr Shore, Secretary at Newham town hall.

cavalcade to Wapping

Farzad Emami, an Iranian student, was jailed for four years at Exeter Crown Court yesterday after being found court was told that a deportage of blackmail.

Mr Emami, who was said to have made love to his landlady, have made love to his landlady, The index said the case had a stranger in a stranger of the index said the case had a stranger in a stranger of land with no one of his own mationals, a young girl. Those will consider next week whether hands, a stranger in a stranger of land with no the first day of a language course in Torque of language of la English or English ways, and a gentle and meek girl.

In a matter of days she was left peduiless because you extracted money from her. You did it under threats and under

> Last Tuesday two other black Last Tuesday two other blackmail charges against Mr Emami
> were dropped. The jury yesterday formally returned not
> guilty verdicts on those counts.
> Miss Piramoun, from Tabriz,
> Iran, had told the court that
> Mr Emami treated her "like
> a prisoner", and had
> threatened to send her back to
> Iran if she did not comply with
> his cash demand. He had
> slauped her face and threatened

Bank of England man and eight others accused

Others accused

Nine men, including a Bank of England official, were remanded at Bow Street Magistrates' Court yesterday until April 15 on a number of charges, including fraud John Martin Wales, aged 41, a Bank of England official, of Hutsmead Close, Chislehurst, Kent, was gramed hail of £30,000, as was John Sidney Barnes, aged 46, an economist, of Cliff Drive, Canford Cliffs, Dorset.

Also accused and granted hail were Reginald Thomas Atkins, aged 49, a company director, of Tamworth Lane, Shirley, Solihull, West Midands: Adrian Winston James, aged 31, a solicitor, of Canon Hill Drive, Bray, Berks; John Stuart Robson, aged 56, a commodity trader, of Hall Green Lane, Hutton, Rrentwood, Essex; Ernar Turner Wooding, aged 62, a solicitor, of Petworth Road, Milford, Surrey; Aifred Taylor, aged 50, a builder, of Inverness Terrace, Kensington, London; and Leonard Basil Ash, aged 38, a salesman, of Platt Lane, Normanton-on-the-Wolds, Nottinghamshire, Patrick Walsh, aged 35, a colicitor's managing clerk, of Cherry Tree Avenue, Chingford, Essex, was not gramed ball.

Mr Rees has 'flu

Mr Rees has 'flu Mr Rees, Home Secretary, is suffering from influenze and has hed to cancel weekend

engagements in Wales.

Quick thaw after blizzards brings floods Britzin's big freeze had by

people are losing nothing if they cannot get this tasteless product."

last night become a big thaw. The blizzards that blanketed many areas seemed to have many areas seemed to have blown themselves out and milder conditions over the next few days were forecast. The thaw brought flooding to many parts of the country.

The RAC said last night:
"There has been flooding in the Yalding and Tesnon areas of Kent and the A21 Hastings road has also been affected by floods. There is a lot of water on the northbound carriage ways on the northbound carriageways

of the M1."

Several people were reported yesterday to have died in the blizzards. At Clay Cross, Derbyshire. Mr George Barker, aged 62, was found dead in his car in the snow. He lived in the village of

snow. He lived in the village of Strinsby near by.

A man who collapsed and died at Waltham on the Wolds, near Melton Mowkray. Leicestershire, was named yesterday as Mr Bert Smith, aged 72, from Oadby. He died shortly after arriving at the village school, which was being used as a temporary shelter for stranded travellers. He and his wife had been forced to abandon their car. don their car.

A driver who died when his car hit a wall in a snowstorm at Shepton Mallet, Somerset,

on Thursday was named yester-day as Mr Lewis Sims, aged 58, of Hazel Terrace, Norton Hill, Midsomer Norton. Mr Gordon Searson, aged 57, was found dead by other stranded drivers in his car in

Actor fined

In Orwell's steps

Reg Varney, aged 60, the actor, of Clay Hill, Eufield, Middlesex, was fined £17 with £5 costs at Chelmsford Magistrates' Court, Essex, yesterday, for speeding in his Rolls-Royce.

At the age of 44 Martin Leighton, a member of the middle class, decided to take a working-class job, following the road of George Orwell 40 years before. His report in The Sunday Times tomorrow offers a sharring indictment of industrial relations and middle management in Britain.

education on women's rights By a Staff Reporter

£6,000 given for

transfusion. The family, from New Zealand,

flew to London for the operation. The boy

is suffering from aplastic anaemia and

Grants totalling £6,000 are being given by the Equal Opportunities Commission for education projects on women's rights and the Equal Pay and Sex Discrimination Acts. They are the first grants to

be awarded by the commission under its powers to give financial assistance to research or educational activities which it considers would contribute to the elimination of discriminaresearch this year is £40,000. The National Council for Civil Liberties has been given 55,000 to set up courses to train lawyers, trade unionists, social workers and others in the meaning of the new laws and in how to conduct cases before in-

dustrial tribunals.

Weather forecast and recordings

Tomorrow

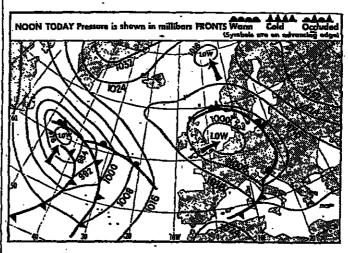
Sun rises: 7.59 am

Lighting up: 4.53 pm to 7.28 am.

High water: London Bridge, 10.31 am, 6.5m (21.4ft); 11.15 pm,

10.51 am, 6.5m (21.4ft); 11.15 pm, 6.7m (21.9ft). Avonmowth, 3.39 am, 10.8m (35.3ft); 4.16 pm, 11.2m (36.6ft). Dover, 7.40 am, 6.1m (20.0ft); 8.27 pm, 6.1m (20.0ft); 8.27 pm, 6.4m (21.0ft); 3.17 pm, 6.5m (21.4ft); 3.17 pm, 6.5m (21.4ft); 8.36 pm, 8.3m (27.3ft);

Moon rises: Moon sets:



New Moon: January 19.
Lighting up: 4.51 pm to 7.29 am.
High water: London Bridge, 9.10
am, 5.4m (21.1ft); 9.59 pm, 5.6m
(21.6ft). Avonmouth, 2.11 am.
10.3m (33.7ft); 2.51 pm, 10.6m
(34.7ft). Dover, 6.24 am, 6.6m
(19.7ft); 7.14 pm, 5.9m (19.3ft).
Hull, 1.12 am, 6.3m (20.8ft); 2.5
pm, 6.2m (20.4ft). Liverpool, 6.46
am, 8.0m (26.1ft); 7.20 pm, 8.0m
(26.3ft).

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight: Forecasts for 6 am to indicated:

London, SE. Central S England,
Midlands: Bright intervals, a few
wintry showers; wind NW, moderate; max temp 3°C (37°F);
frost early and late.

East Anglia, E. Central N, NE
England: Cloudy, outbreaks of
rain or snow, especially over hills
and coasts; wind N, fresh or
strong; max temp 2°C (36°F).

Channel Islands. SW England

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth: Cloudy, outbreaks of sleet or snow, moderate falls on hills with drifting; wind NR, strong to gale, decreasing; max temp 2°C (36°F).

NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Cloudy, wintry showers; wind E, fresh or strong; max temp 3°C (37°F).

Outlook for tomorrow, and

(37°F).
Outlook for tomorrow and Monday: Bright intervals and wintry showers, mainly near coasts. Fog patches overnight. Cold with frost overnight. Channel Islands, SW England, S Wales: Wintry showers, samy intervals; wind NW, fresh or strong; max temp 4°C (39°F).

N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW, NW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, N ireland: Bright intervals, wintry showers; wind NW, fresh or strong; max temp 3°C (37°F).



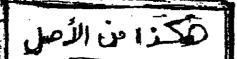
Yesterday

4.23 pm

Loudon: Temp: max, 5 6 pm, 5°C (41°F); min, 6 6 am, 3°C (37°F). Hum pm, 89 per cent. Rain, 24 pm, 0.28in. Sun, 24hr to 6 Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm milliber vieins 1,000 milibars=29.53in.

30-day forecast The Meteorological Offi terday issued the followir terday issued the followir cast for the next 30 day period is expected to start spell of drier weather than but it will probably continuith might frost and some times. Before the end of a period of mild weather that further cold spel expected again later. The fof February will probacolder than the second January. Mean temps over January. Mean temps over days as a whole are experience be near average in Scotis N Ireland, but below average in length and Wales. Total is expected to be near in all districts but with the temperature between wet.





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> lan accused Mr Taylor of stortion and scaremonger. " and said the dispersal pro-There is absolutely no intion remark in the allegation that the sent plans to move Civil Sec-e jobs from London to Scot-d", he said. "The letter or the day he said. The letter exploich Lord Peart sent to Mr

Tunnel pounced in July, 1974."

Linder the plan, 7,000 civil linder the pl h work due to start on new ices for them in East Kilde this year and in Glasgow

of Taylor said yesterday that letter contained "sweet eralizations " about the Gov ment's commitment to trans ring the jobs, but such a comvernment could not give a

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gapore Government is ask-for the extradition of James

Mr Garrett said there was no

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river of train

A train driver who died at

controls may have been

led by a falling icicle, police

d yesterday. The driver, Mr

dlow Avenue, .. Crewe,

eshire, died as the train

sed through Warrington on

ursday. It was halted by

The police said: "A falling

ile, possibly from a bridge, mot be ruled out. He had

n hit by something, but the windows were not broken.

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An inquest was opened and

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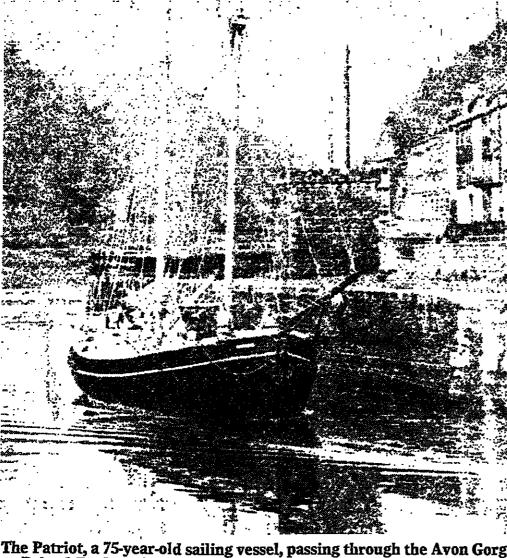
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The Patriot, a 75-year-old sailing vessel, passing through the Avon Gorge to Bristol Docks, where she is to take part in a television film.

Conditions at hospital blamed for suicides

Conditions at the psychiatric unit at Hackney Hospital, east London, are so bad that two patients have committed suicide in the past six months, Dr John Reed, a consultant psychiatrist, said yesterday.

One was a severely disturbed can who required more security for his treatment than could provided at the hospital. "He ended up in prison, where he committed suicide". Dr

The other needed a psychia-tric bed but one could not be found. "While we had the usual discussions on how on earth we could find a bed for him he ran off and committed

In 1973, Dr Reed added, the Hospital Advisory Service said the facilities at Hackney were the worst they had ever seen.
"Nothing really has signifi-carrly changed since then." Some patients had discharged themselves because of the "rat-

pit " conditions: "One sex's dormitory is both sexes' dining room, television room, and general repression area", he

Half the psychiatric day hos-pital within Hackney Hospital was without heating, and elderly demented patients had to share wards with the young disturbed mentally ill.

Dr Reed, chairman of the division of psychiatry for City and Hackney Health District, said: "The conditions here are conditions in which no patient should be asked to be treated

and in which no staff should be asked to try to treat patients." with the district administrators. who agreed that conditions were appalling, he said. Plans to improve the facilities had been pur back since 1974, and there

Hospital strike ends after 'patients at risk' warning

By Craig Seton

More than 500 ancillary wor-kers at St Bartholomew's Hospital, London, voted yesterday to call off their four-day-old strike and work normally from this morning. Earlier the management had said that a blockade of oxygen deliveries by pickets was endangering

Management and unions will meet next week to discuss the introduction of a rota system which workers said could cost them up to £12 a week in lost overtime. The management agreed to reinstate three porters suspended after a dispute over their duties.

The dispute centred on the management's plans to reduce spending, involving all hospitals in the City and Hackney district Health Authority, because

stated and in my view the profit

Mr Slater, aged 48, faces

charges of conspiracy to com-

mit a criminal breach of trust.

conspiracy to cheat share-holders and furnishing false or misleading information. Mr Tar-ling, aged 42, faces six similar

The hearing continues

charges and 11 others.

public expenditure.

Mr Denis Jones, district administrator, said the district was overspending by film a year and the decision that cuts had to be made at St Bartholomew's as well as at other dospitals was not negotiable. The man-

agement had decided to cut overtime in the case in question because that was less painful than the redundancies that might otherwise be necessary. After the unions' decision to return to work he said that the management would be happy to consider their grievances and

examine proposals for saving money. Mr James Bewsher, of the National Union of Public Em-

ployees, one of the unions involved said after the meeting: "The management now accept that they must negotiate in the normal way."

Two accused of £275,000

Beer price rise

The Allied Breweries group at Warrington, Cheshire, is to beers by a penny a pint on imposed in the mini-Budget also comes into effect.

Both men asked for legal aid.

demand to ICI

An accountant said at Horseity Road Magistrates Court,
stminster, yesterday, that he
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The who was a count state-Two men were remainded in custody at Bow Street Magistrates' Court yesterday charged with demanding £275,000 from st like the one run by Claber, ment of the Singapore-based liker in the Far East. ment of the Singapore-based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International, Mr Gartingr in a firm of the Singapore based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International, Mr Gartingr in a firm of the Singapore based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International, Mr Gartingr in a firm of the Singapore based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International, Mr Gartingr in a firm of the Singapore based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International, Mr Gartingr in a firm of the Singapore based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International, Mr Gartingr in a firm of the Singapore based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International Mr Gartingr in a firm of the Singapore based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International Mr Gartingr in the Singapore based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International Mr Gartingr in the Singapore based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International Mr Gartingr in the Singapore based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International Mr Gartingr in the Singapore based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International Mr Gartingr in the Singapore based associate firm, Haw Par Brothers International Mr Gartingr in the Singapore based associate firm of the Singapore ba ICI with menaces this month. Rodney James Cox. aged 26, a computer sperviser, and Peter Rhys Jenkins, aged 26, both of Denbrielle, Rotterdam, rett said: "This is a statement I found difficult because the profit in 1972 has been underand were remanded in custody estimated for the period just previously ended has been overstated." to Marlborough Street Magis trates' Court until next Friday.

erupts over Scots border By Michael Horsnell A year-long salmon war in

Salmon war

the Solway Furth is turning into an English-Scottish border dis-pute, with claims of English aggrandizement from the north and Scottish meanness from the

Until last year fishermen from both sides of the border happily cast their nets into their own waters in the north and south of the rivers Est and Eden, which run into the firth. But then the river chanerosion and now the two authorities which issue licences are locked in a dispute about who can fish where.

It has turned into an argument over where the bordes between England and Scotland border, is accusing the North West Water Authority, which issues licences to English fisher men, of exercising powers in waters for which the Scots were granted exclusive fishing rights royal charters in 1538 and

right of the English haafnets-men, licensed by the water authority, to fish any longer up to the centre line of the lov water channel, as that is now in the area of the charter granted by James V of Scotland. The water authority is, in

turn, disputing the right of Scottish fishermen to fish in their tradicional waters unless licensed by them. A water authority official said: "It looks as though a truce will continue until the matter is resolved in law. Mr John Whitecross, deputy

chief executive of Annandale and Eskdale District Council, said English fishermen could not be granted licences by them even if the territorial dispute is conceded by the English. He

denied any meanness.

"The charter granted the former Burgh of Annan various lands and privileges and is for the benefit of people living within the Annan township area," he said. "When the central channel of the Eden and Esk rivers moved, it came completely inside the fixed charter area. Before it had been part in and part out and fisherwith licences from both authorities were fishing their own halves."

The council is meanwhile seeking an injunction in the Court of Session, Edinburgh, to prohibit the water authority from "purporting to license people" to fish within the disputed area.

Strikes called off

Winding enginemen who halted 22 pits in the Yorkshire coalfield on Wednesday have agreed to call off further planned one-day strikes pending renewed negotiations on early

Human limb regeneration 'real possibility

sor Thomas Stonier, an American, at Bradford University's many others are doing now." can, at Bramou School of Science and Society. He said yesterday: We know that a salamander will regenerate an arm if you cut it off but a frog will not. However, a frog will do so if you give it certain hormone treat-

humans, if you cut off an arm, response of the organism is very similar to the untreated frog. There is no theoretical reason why some time in the future we should not know enough to form a limb bud, as we can in the frog, and then regenerate a whole limb. stand how it is that cells divide sometimes, differentiate some-

Humans may be capable of times, and organize to form regrowing severed kimbs by the structures. This knowledge will be derived partially through the type of research that we and Professor Stonier, who has been at Bradford for about 18 months, said that in future it might be possible for people to

regrow a part of their body lost in an accident. "I would say that somewhere between 15 and 50 years hence this will become mammals, including a real possibility."
if you cut off an arm, He added that it would depend on how much research was done in that area, "The implications go beyond this. At the moment, medical science

ties of old age, the so-called

has made its greatest break-throughs by working on infec-tious diseases. Very little progress has been made so far in terms of reducing the infirmi-

following direction; if we know how to get cells to differentiate and organize at will we should be able to do this in tissue culture as well.

"What that means is that it this period, early in the next century, I can envisage that when a baby is born you take part of its placenta, which at the moment is thrown away, put it into cold storage, and any time in the future, when it looks as though that person is going to need a new heart or a new kidney culture, take the stored cells and organize them into heart or a kidney. That organ could then be transplanted."

A transplant method such as that would obviate rejection complications which hampered present-day transplant surgery, WEST EUROPE

French Prime Minister defends handling of Abu Daoud case and dismisses German protests

The French Government has one over to the offensive in the controversy over the release of Mr Muhammad Daoud Audeh, known as Abu Daoud. M Raymond Barre, the Prime Minister, in a long interview with Agence France-Presse, refers euphemistically to "the hesitations" of the West German Government.

Although there is no desire in Paris to feed the flames of controversy, the unofficial view s that the Gorman protests are distinctly disingenuous, and that the Federal Government began to voice its indignation over the Palestinian leader's release when it was quite certain that he was out of reach.

M Barre insists that the true

identity of Mr Youssef Raji Ben Hanna was not known to the rench consulate in Beirut or o the authorities in Paris when visa for his visit to France was issued.

He makes it clear that Mr Abu Daoud was detained for questioning in compliance with request from the West Ger-nan authorities. The West German Minister of the Interior had personally telephoned his French counterpart, M Michel Poniatowski, to ensure that the Palestinian was kept in custody until the extradition request had been forwarded through diplomatic channels. Under the Franco-German

Dr Edmond Simeoni, the most prominent of the Corsican auto-

prominent of the Corsican auto-nomist leaders, was released conditionally from the Santé Prison early today. He had served less than half of a prison sentence of five years, two of them suspended, for his part in the shooting incident in Algeria in August 1975. When a wine cellar invesced by autonomists

ceillar invested by autonomists was taken by assault by the police, two of whom were killed.

The arrest and trial of the

Corsican leader and his fol-lowers provoked a wave of pro-

island. The original charges of

in murder were dropped, and only that of setting up an armed

band against the authority of the state had been retained by

the court. Numerous demon-

strations were staged by sympa-thizers calling for his release.

taking hostages and complicity

the arrest warrant issued by the Munich judge had to be accompanied almost simultaneously by confirmation through diplomatic channels. This confirmation was never received in

release of the Palestinian leader was the result of a judicial decision, not of a political one. The question on which the Court of Appeal had to give a ruling was not his extradition. but his continued detention.

man request".

longing it.
It is privately admitted in

informed circles that this was an affair for which the French

generally taken as a gesture of

appeasement to facilitate the re-

on the future status of the

all the Corsican political repre-

sentatives, even those whose ideas are far removed from those of Dr Simeoni. No restric-

tions are placed on his place of residence so he will be able

to return to Corsica, and resume his political activity.

In a statement to the French

news agency, Dr Simeoni said his "long sojourn in French

prisons had in no way under-mined his determination to

pursue the struggle to give my

country and the Corsican people

the means of survival and ful-

By letting him out of prison,

The Lisbon weekly news

magazine Expresso was not alone today in believing that Dr Sá Carneiro's "irritability" has spread to Dr Soares who previously was able to take per-

Lisbon evening newspapers

close to the Government last night launched a counter-attack

of hitherto unequalled virulence

against Dr Sá Carneiro. Dr Soares himself recalled todáy that Dr Sá Carneiro had never

attacked the Caetano regime

The Cabinet, after studying Dr Sá Carneiro's remarks yesterday, said that they were a "calumny" on the Government and not serving "the interests of the Portuguese state".

The attent of the Socialists'

The extent of the Socialists'

Democratic Party rallying round their leader whose remarks had already provoked internal criti-cism. Politicians do not go

abroad to criticize their own country, so the rule goes, least of all if they are Portuguese in

television strike

From Our Own Correspondent-

A nine-week strike by French television artistes and actors mainly over the number of original productions to be screened, was called off early

New scale of remuneration

istent criticism.

from abroad.

call off

this morning.

His release was welcomed by

aption of rational discussions

Corsicans cheer Simeoni release

M Barre emphasizes that the

The Prime Minister says he binivelf was told of the West German request by the Minister of the Interior three hours after Mr Abu Daoud had been detained. "We measured the political and diplomatic implica-tions of such a detection, but we both agreed that it was necessary to follow up the Ger-

The decision of the Court of Appeal was based on the fact that the demand for the arrest (as opposed to the detention for questioning), the first stage in an extradition procedure, was a political one, and had there-fore to be confirmed through diplomatic channels. As no confirmation had been received three days after the Palestinian leader was detained, it felt there were no grounds for pro

course it chose, was bound to be violently criticized. The error was perhaps to give Mr Abu Daoud a visa in the first

place, and once he had come to France, to arrest him, instead of spiriting him out of the country. But it was practically impossible to do so once the German request had been re-The West German Gov-ernment, by falling to confirm the action of the Munich judge

through diplomatic channels and start the formal extradi-tion procedure, had made his release inevitable. The French Government, for its part, has formally protested to the Palestine Liberation Organization through its ambassador in Beirut against its demand for a visa under a false name for

with the Munich offair.

Paris, Jan 14.—In a telephone interview today Mr Abu Daoud expressed astonishmeut that there had been widespread revulsion, particularly in the United States, at his being released. He said: "I'm not astonished to see the Israelis angry, but I am astonished that the people living in a land called a land of liberty are with the Munich offair. called a land of liberty are angry for a justice thing." He avoided associating him-self with the Munich killings,

saying he never said on a Jor danian television programs that he was involved.—AP.

terms of separatism for Corsica.

he said, that the Corsican crisis of identity could not be settled

by material pallictives.

He had the firm conviction,

"What Corsica needs today is

much more confidence in

dialogue and cooperation rather

than state credits. The French

authorities would have to appre-

ciate the situation more objec-

tively, and give up a colonialist

switch over to the anti-French

He was hostile to all vio-lence, but this had been pro-voked by French policy, he said.

"What is desperately needed is unity and dialogue, to that the

situation, and promote a frater-nal, and forward-looking Corsica

with a specific place in the French community." He was

convinced that peace and dom would prevail.

based on repression, lies,

petty manoeuvring on of seeing Corsican youth

Doubts on Spanish kidnappers' identity

Madrid, Jan 14

A high government official heightened speculation in Madrid today that the kidnap-pers of one of the king's principal advisers were rightwing extremists masquerading as auti-fascists.

The official expressed the "very personal" opinion that "Grapo does not exist." He was referring to the self-styled. First of October Anti-Pascist Resistance Groups, an organiza-tion which has been holding. Señor Antonio Maria de Oriol, the president of the Council of State, hostage since December

The official's remarks were made on the same day on which it was learnt that a new message from the kidnappers had been received together with a letter from Senor Oriol to his family.

Both were delivered by a young man who handed the envelope, marked "To the Editor, Urgent", to a doorman at the offices of the Madrid evening ewspaper, Informaciones, las

The kidnappers' message was in a sealed envelope addressed to Señor Rodolfo Martin Villa the Minister of the Interior Sources said that it repeated Grapo's earlier demand for the release of 15 accused or con-

Señor Oriol's letter was in his own handwriting, and urged his family to resign themselves and pray. It also asked them to have their pictures published in the newspapers so that he could see them.

In a personal comment on the case, the high official said; "This is a tremendously strange case, an inexplicable one. My personal impression is that Grapo is nothing more than an organization at the service of something, or someone, and when that something or some one is discovered, many people are going to be surprised.

"Those who might benefit from an amnesty would not sup-port the kind of activities carried out by Grapo, because the effect is to make it harde for the Government to grant an amnesty. Whoever is behind this, seems to be well aware sidering a broader amnesty.

A conservative politician was yesterday quoted in the Madrid evening newspaper Diario-16 as saying that he had evidence to suggest that the kidnapped man was being held at a right-wing

runs seaward, an issue which may need arbitration by the European Court in Luxembourg. The Annandale and Eskale District Council, north of the harder is accusing the North Lisbon anger at Opposition Basque mayors give cool

the court. Numerous demon-strations were staged by sympa-chosen to adopt a distincly moderate attitude. In his state-ment, he also made it clear

From Richard Wigg

Lisbon, Jan 14

The bad personal relations between Dr Francisco Så Carneiro, the Social Democrat leader, and leading members of Portugal's Socialist Government have deteriorated even further after critical remarks made by him in Madrid.

A top aide of Dr Soares, the Prime Minister, last night called the Spanish Charge d'Affaires to the Prime Minister's office to "explain" the Government's feelings and reject Dr Sá Car-neiro's claim that Portugal was on the brink of bankruptcy", and that the Government was incompetent" to solve the

economic problems. It appears that the Government considered making a pro-test to Madrid, against the fact test to Madrid, against the fact that King Juan Carlos and Sedor Suarez, his Prime Minister, agreed to receive the Portuguese Opposition leader after his remarks had appeared in the Spanish press. The Government did not take that step but the Portuguese radio con-

Radioactive leak | French actors shuts atom power station

Gundremmingen, West Germany, Jan 14.—An atomic power station was shut down here last night indefinitely after an escape of radioactive steam, the Bavarian Ministry for Powersian of the Environ. for Protection of the Environ-ment announced today.

A compromise agreement hammered out during laborious It said there had been a defect in a safety valve. negotiations guarantees that in added that at no time were the local population or the staff of the next three years the volume of original productions, such as the power station endangered. serials and plays, ordered by the There was no radioactive polluthree channels will increase steadily from 374 to 457, and that 30 operatic or ballet protion of the atmosphere round the power station. The Ministry could not say

how long the plant would stay shut. It was closed for three grammes a year will be broaddays last month because of a have been set for actors. They leak in the primary circulation will earn a minimum of 400 system. A year ago, two men were killed by hot steam durfrancs (£47) a day, or 350 francs in the event of a proing repair works on a burst valve.—Reuter.

Madeira protest at visit of Soviet envoy

Funchal, Madeira, Jan 14.— About 100 demonstrators shouting: "Kalinin go home" greeted Mr Arnold Kalinin, the Soviet Ambassador to Portugal, when he arrived in Madeira Police and troops, who cor-doned off Funchal harbour, eventually dispersed the demon-

strators who waved flags of the Madeira Liberation Front, a separatist, conservative body agitating against the left-wing revolution on mainland Por-tugal. Slogans painted on walls in English and Russian said: "Get out Kalinin" and: "We do not want dictatorships or

reception to minister tinued today to speak of a " pro-

From Our Correspondent Madrid, Jan 14 Señor Rodolfo Martín Villa, the Minister of the Interior, was given the cold shoulder from Basque mayors today as he toured the north of Spain in what looked like an apology for his decision to prohibit "summit meeting" of th

mayors. He met the mayors of 240 towns of the province of Navarra in Pemplona, but 25 excused themselves as being sick.". Of those who did show up, five made it plain that they felt that the banning of their meeting was high-handed and unacceptable.

Señor Tomas Caballero, the mayor of Pampiona, told the minister: "You need not have minister: "You need not have bothered to come". The pro-vincial authorities entertained Señor Martin Villa to lunch, but the mayors did not attend. The latest military appoint Force.

finition of the responsibilities in certain key posts, are expected to boost the Government's democratic raform pro-The most significant was

the nomination, at yesterday's Cabinet meeting, of Lieutenent-General José Vega Rodríguez, as Army Chief of Staff and commander of the Army, Until now, military command of the Army has been an attribute of the Army Minister.

The change making the minister responsible for policy, and the Chief of Staff responsible for command, erects a bar-rier between politics and military matters.

A similar reorganization of duties and responsibilities was carried out for the Navy in General Franco's lifetime. The same step is expected to be taken in the future for the Air

East Germans close paper to make a Berlin point

From Gretel Spitzer

Berlin, Jan 14

East Germany has discontinued the publication of a legal gazette in order to demonstrate once again that in its opinion East Berlin is an integral part of the German Democratic Republic and not subject to regulations which provide for a four-power status for all of Berlin.

In accordance with fourpower regulations, West Berlin publishes a special gazette listing laws and decrees of the Federal Republic that apply to he city. Similarly the East Berlin authorities published the gazette Magistrat which listed relevant laws and decrees of the GDR.

The last of the East Berlin gazettes appeared on September 20, 1976, but it was only today that East German officials were quoted by the newspaper

Berlin. All laws and decrees of the Volkskammer and the Government applied to all of the GDR, including its capital which was an integral part of

Recent steps taken to demon strate that East Berlin should be regarded as part of East Germany have been the intro-duction of visas for foreigners on one-day visits from West Berlin to East Berlin, and the abolition of control points on the border between East Berlin and East Germany.

Earlier this week the Western allies protested to the Soviet Government against East Germany's attempts to change the status of the city and reminded the Soviet Union of its commit-

An allied spokesman said today that in the past the East Berlin legal gazette had sometimes not appeared for a period. He added: "The allied authori-Wahrheit as stating that from ties would view any change in the procedure extremely for a special edition for East

Women honoured in ancient city

Continued from page 1 have happened in the meantime. "Thousand years did not coust less then than they do

DOW.

The recurrence of names such as Abraham, Ishmael and David means only that such names were common in the area at the time. Tablets containing what appear to be legends of the creation and the flood, similar to those in the Old Testament, mean only that such legends

existed in the area before the

Old Testament. It would be wrong to jump to any other conclusion. The tablets "only belo to know better the very lively cultural background which existed when

in Palestine 1,000 years later ". "Much more important than any link with the Old Testament is the great contribution of this discovery to the history of humanity. It throws light of a very important period when urban civilization developed, people started living in towns, as they still do today." The archives were found mostly in a small room in the

royal palace of Ebla and for the main part are the equiva-lent to the files of modern ministries of finance foreign trade. Although Ebla appears to

the Jews appeared on the scene appears more human and less warlike, than in Mesoporamia, The years were remembered by royal marriages, birth or journeys, rather than conquests as in Mesopotamia, women were treated with honour and respect, at least in the royal household, while not even the name of a single queen is recorded in Mesopotamie. Ebla was conquered about

2,300 BC and finally destroyed by Mesopotamia. It may have made the mistake of blocking Mesopotamia's access to the wood from the mountains in southern Lebanon and metal have been a military power—from Anatolia, needed to there is a report of the con-quest of the Mesopotamian city other implements. from Anatolia, needed to make

ther, the innancier. They want the former chief Shrier, Welker and Mr hard Tarling, his former ad of Far East operations, to e a total of 23 charges conming allaged financial mal-

In the frozen wastes of New York's west side, where the jet from a water hose soon turns to

These organizations do not

reject links with registered unions but want to be equal

and not subordinate to them.

They believe that unless "parallel" unions establish

an independent leadership and power base, they will become devices for the control of

African workers and thereby

was clearly designed to denude "independent" unions of their

most effective organizers.
On the other hand the leadership of the "parallel" unions

is clear that the Government is

thinking about these organiza-

Recently support among African workers for "parallel"

the wane. This is partly because

they have not proved to be very

effective but also because of

their ties with TUCSA which has a history of vaccilliation in the face of Government pres-

It remains to be seen how far

the activities of "independent

unions will have been curbed by the recent bannings,

although for the moment they are still very much in business.

Mugabe faction

in pay of CIA'

Members of the African

Mr Mugabe's group in London, said that he was totally opposed to the Petriotic Fron, which

Mr Mugabe formed with Mr

of Zanu

By Our Diplomatic

Correspondent

Joshua Nkomo

unions appears to have been on

responsible unions ".

remained unscathed and it

ice, a fireman tries to regain his footing to continue the fight against a warehouse fire.

Bannings behind South African boycott could

Glimmer of hope for black unions

fear, merely involve recognition of "recognition

of "responsible unions" which would then be brought under the control of existing white

unions while the authorities take further action against those

who are striving to establish fully-fledged African trade unions? If this were the case, then it would merely mean an extension of state control over

At the moment there are two

main groupings within the black union movement. The first are known as "parallel" unices which are unregistered but work closely with registered (white)

unions in the same industry.
They comprise 11 separate
unions, accounting for about 60
per cent of black trade union
membership, including Mrs
Lucy Myubelo's National Union
of Clothing Workers with 23,000

All are affiliated directly or adirectly with the Trade Union

Congress of South Africa (TUCSA), the country's largest labour organization with 63,000 white members and 150,000 Col-

is a necessary intermediate stage in black trade union develop-

ment As Mr Arthur Grobbelaar, TUCSA's General Secretary, puts it, "parallel" unions are

a "stepping stone on the road to full participation by African workers in multiracial unions."

. However, this line of argu-

black and white workers have

conflicting interests. In these

the labour movement.

presage eventual Government recognition

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estates and areas within redeveloped had meant who used to enjoy livi their families and neigh Instead of giving pe long leases on councities should consider leases, at the end of wishould be negotiations by council and tenants on the Kermeth Baker (City minster. St. Marylebone

don Industrial Develop tificates, and Office De Permits should be There was no need for tinuation of the Lo Offices Bureau, and the boroughs should delay

The new unity expressed by moderate Arab states for a Middle East peace initiative this year and the smothering of free speech in the Lebanese press may have prompted a fresh interest in Cyprus among the more extreme political movements in the Arab world.

The Palestinian news agency Wafa, whose announcements are being subjected to strict censor-ship in Beirut and whose com-munications with the rest of the Arab states have been cut off, is considering opening an office in Nicosia. Moreover, Iraq, which is one of the two Arab states not supporting the present peace proposals, is to open an embassy in Cyprus within the next six months.

The Greek Cypriot Government does not want Cyprus to turn into an Arab sounding board, a substitute for the free-dom which has been lost in Belrut now that the Syrian Government is imposing a cease fire in Lebanon. During the Lebanese civil war the authorities here became particularly concerned lest the large number of Lebanese refugees passing through Cyprus, more than 60,000, created friction among Arabs already in the island or among the local population.

President Makarios at one stage even feared that Muslim Lebanese would take up resi-dence in the Turkish side of the island, leaving Christian Lebanese to settle in the Greek area, thus increasing political tension between the two parts of Cyprus. In the event, this did

The Cyprus Government emphasizes now that the presence of the Palestinians in Nicosia and the size of the official Palestinian office in the city is strictly controlled. But the three permanent staff members and their families have recently, if temporarily, been supplemented by a further four officials and they have been decorating a new office in a building which they rent a few hundred yards from their Nicosia headquarters.

When he was asked if the When he was asked if the Palestinian news agency would transfer any of its operations from Beirut, as Lebanese were suggesting last week, Mr zakaria Abdul Rahim. the Palestinian representative in Cyprus, said that a move by Wafa to Nicosia, involving several officials, was "to be expected".

The Iraqis first showed interest in setting up an embassy in Nicosia two years ago, an idea which met with some resistance from Turkish Cypriots, who were trying to gain support from Muslim nations for their mini-state on the eastern side of the island. Only recently, however, has it become known that the Iraquis intend to go ahead with their plans, appointing their present Councillor in Vienna as Charge d'Affaires in Nicosia. The Ambassador will be based in Beirut but will visit Cyprus

The Libyans who, like the Iraqis, want no part of the present Egyptian-Syrian peace present Egyptian-Syrian peace initiative, are also appointing a new non-resident diplomat to Cyprus, Mr Abdul Wahab

been recently serving as Ambassador in Moscow could Indicate that the Libyan Gow-ernment, which takes its rela-tions with the Soviet Union very seriously, regards Cyprus as of increasing importance.

ments on a regular basis but the meeting, which an Edek representative described as "fruitful", has none the less given emphasis to the increased

With its free press and easy access just 150 miles from Beirut it must seem an enticing base for the Palestinian publicity men whose voice has been so suddenly and efficiently silenced in Lebanon.

Israeli ministers cannot resign, court says From Moshe Brilliant and ma

Tel Aviv, Jan 14

The Israeli High Court ruled today that two independent Liberal Party ministers trying to leave Mr Rabin's Govern-ment may stay in the Cabinet until the national elections in May, while three dismissed National Religious Party (NRP) ministeds who wanted to remain must stay out of the

Accordingly, Mr Moshe Kol, the Minister of Tourism, and Mr Gedeon Hausner, Minister participation in Cabinet meetings on Sunday and Mr Kol will again take over his

ministry. remains a minority government as it would lack a parliament-

This situation developed from fast moving political events on himself resigned automatically

Peace this year

call by

and making it a caretaker administration.

Mr Rabin, on the advice of the Attorney General, claimed that the Independent Liberal ministers were trapped because under the law, their designa-tion did not go into effect for 48 hours and resignation from a caretaker government is not permitted. This was upheld by the High Court, which ruled that the 48-hour wait was part of the resignation process and not a period to allow for second

Meanwhile the Labo artempting to preserve its alignment with the left-wing Mapam Party, continued to search for a formula regarding peace moves that would satisfy the more moderate partners. A committee including all three party submitted to the party conven-tion next month. Mr Danny Rosolio, the committee chair-

Plan to establish African social training centre

Arab leaders · Aswan, Egypt, Jan 14.-President Sadat of Egypt and King Cairo, Jan 14

these Sadar or Egypt and king the sain of Jordan were reported to have emphasized in talks here today that 1977 must be a year devoted to settling the Middle East crisis.

Mr Ismail Fahmi, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, said the two Arab leaders agreed on the tieed for Israel's withdrawal from occupied Arab territories

and the creation of a separate Palestinian state. President Sadat and King Hussin also agreed on Egyptian Jordanian coordination with

other Arab states confronting Israel in order to achieve Arab strategy worked out at the Rabat summit conference in 1974, Mr Fahmi said. Answering questions by reporters, Mr Fahmi said that among the main subjects dis-

cussed were efforts to prod all parties in the Middle East con-flict to go to a renewed Genera

Asked whether he thought Israel would agree to the creation of a Palestinian state on the West Bank of the Jordan and the Gaza Strip, Mr Fahmi replied: "The question is how to convince the Israelis. If they want to live in peace they must accept, otherwise we will ask for more."—Reuter.

ney, the Soviet party leader, said today that the future of detente was endangered by a growing arms race.

In a message to the opening session of a Soviet-sponsored

World Forum of Peace Forces, he said: "Either the arms race all bring in question the

further advance of mankind along the road of progress, or the peoples will break by joint

efforts the present dangerous spiral of the arms race."

From Our Correspondent

African Ministers of Social Affairs agreed today to estab-lish an African social development training centre and appealed to member states of the Organization of African Unity and to United Nations specialized agencies for finan-cial and technical assistance. The ministers and social de velopment experts from the United Nations and other international organizations were winding up a five-day conference in Alexandria on social problems.

Mrs Aisha Rateb, the Egyptian Manister of Social Affairs who was presiding over the conference, said that the resolution would be referred to African governments for ratifi-

The resolution also asked the executive secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa to coordinate activities leading to the estab-lishment of the centre, its functioning and its coordination with present social training and research institutes in Africa. Egypt has proposed that the centre, to cost about £3m, should be established in Maruit, near Alexandria.

teracy and other world prob-

"Our party, and the Soviet people together with all the peoples of the world, are waging and will tirelessly wage a struggle against the stockpil-

ing of more and more arma-

More favourable conditions

for strengthening peace had been created by the 1975 Helsinki conference. "But the

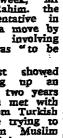
further development of relaxa-

sources" which were needed to The message was read to the by Tass, quoted "specialists of combat hunger, disease, illi-forum by Mr Boris Ponomaryov, both countries" as saying that

spiral or the arms race."

The arms race was "a waste by the continuing and even of spiritual and material regrowing arms race."

Brezhnev warning on dangers of arms race



He has been based in Cyprus

The Cypriot Socialist Party, Edek, sent a delegation to Beirut last weekend for talks with the Palestine Liberation Organization. The discussions are held between the two move-Palestinian interest in the

However, the administration support it.

ary majority even if the Inde-pendent Liberal deputies today discussed proposals to be December 20 when, within man, said after the meeting that hours, the NRP ministers were dismissed, the Independent liberals resigned and Mr Rabin ing to defensible borders and involving territorial compromise bringing down the Government "on all three fronts".

Dr Sakharov links KGB with Metro blast

popular among tracks and only a handful of committees exist. However, although not recognized by law, black trade unions are not illegal and it is possible for employers to enter into direct negotiations with these bodies. A hint that the Government may be planning to accommodate black trade unions with the second tracks and only white members and 150,000 Coloureds and Asians.

Advocates of "parallelism" argue that in view of South Africa's labour legislation which prevents racially-integrated unions, this form of partnership is a necessary intermediate stage in black trade union develop-

or their personal rather than union activities, he pointed out that he had not placed restrictions on "responsible black trade union leaders, nor do I contemplate doing so".

will this be? Will it, as some circumstances "parallelism" is

Moscow, Jan 14.-Dr Andrei what he called "repressive Sakharov, the Nobel peace organs".

Dr Sakharov, once one of the prize winner, and representatives of seven Soviet dissident groups today dissociated them-

Johannesburg, Jan 14

Paradoxical though it may

sound, the banning last November of 26 officials of South Africa's fledgling black trade union movement, which led to the call by the International Confederation of Free Trade

Unions (ICFTU) for a boycott next week of South Africa, could in fact presage eventual Government recognition of African unions.

At present South African industrial legislation, ensurined in the Industrial Conciliation Act which was designed to pro-

tect white workers, excludes Africans from membership of registered unions and denies

them the definition of "employees", even though they constitute more than 70 per

cent of the country's work

Instead, the Government

favours a system of works liaison committees, although

this system has not proved popular among blacks and only

to accommodate black trade

unions was contained in the

statement issued by Mr James

Kruger, the Minister of Justice, at the time of the bannings.

Arguing that he had acted against the officials (almost all

contemplate doing so ".

whom were white) because

But what kind of recognition

violence to achieve their aims. Dr Sakharov and the other inside the Soviet Union. political dissenters made clear that they were responding to a report on last Saturady's blast by Mr Viktor Louis, the Soviet journalist, who often leaks the semi-official version of events to the Western press.

Mr Louis's report in the London Evening News spoke of a terrorist bomb" and said official sources hinted it may have been planted by a Soviet dissident group.

The allegation was rejected "obviously provocative" by Dr Sakharov, who insisted that the dissidence only weapon was public discussion and truthful information.

He had the feeling, he said, that the Metro blast in which several people are believed to have been killed, was itself an act of provocation by

candidate member of the

A Soviet commentary which

A Soviet commentary which stated two days ago that the Soviet Union led the United States in some military matters but trailed in others re appeared today, rewritten to say that the two commiles military power was "about equal". The revised article appeared today in the Defence Ministry's newsomer Red Stay and was

newspaper Red Stor and was

said to have been written specially for the newspaper by Mr Yori Kornilov, the author of the first vession as well.

The first version, published by Tess, quoted "specialists of

Politiburo.

Soviet Union's leading nuclear physicists, accused the authori-ties of using violence and

selves from a mystery explosion on the Moscow Metro (underground) last week and said they rejected the use of blast could lead to changes in the selves their aims. the entire political climate In a separate statement, fellow dissidents said they

regarded terrorism with indignation and disgust. "We, representatives of different dissident groups in the Soviet Union, want to draw attention to the fact that the application of the term 'dissidents' to real or imagined terrorists was a deliberate pro-vocation by the KGB aimed at

vocation by the AGB atmed at compromising the dissidents in the Soviet Union."

The statement was signed among others by Dr Yuri Orlov, head of a group set up to monitor alleged violations in the Soviet Union of the Helsinki agreement, and Dr Valentin agreement, and Dr Vallet Turchin, president of the Soviet branch of Amnesty Inter-national. The signatories claimed to speak on behalf of some 300 active dissidents in all.—Reuter.

It went on: "There exists

The Red Star version merely said that the statements of "unbiased military expents" "arrest that the military

powers of both countries are about equal".—Reuter.

He alleged that the Zanu section led by Mr Mugabe was in the pay of the Central Intelligence Agency with the aim of establishing control of Zimbabwe by members of the Karanga tribe.

Mr Sithole, who is expected to meet his supporters in London later this month, has been in disagreemen with Mr Mugabe for some time. In a letter distributed by his new

letter distributed by his new supporters yesterday, he claims that Mr Mugabe was insoired by his own intense personal ambition to become leader of Zanu and not by the liberatio of Zimbabwe (Rhodesia).

Mr Chakaodza said there were about 7,000 Zimbabweans in Britsin, of whom he believed about half no wsupported Mr Sithole.

Choice of charge for Louget jury

"while the Soviet Union sur-passes the United States for some kinds of armaments, other kinds of armaments, on the con-trary, are developed faster in the United States". Aspen, Colorado, Jan 14.— The judge in the Claudine Longet manslaughter trial parity, equality of military might. It is precisely this principle, the principle of parity and the principle of equal security stemming from it." that the Soviet Union upheld in disaumament talks. today gave the jury the option of convicting the former wife of Andy Williams, the singer, on a lesser charge.

Miss Longet could be sentenced to 10 years in prison slaughter in the death of Vladimir "Spider." Sabich, her Vladimir "Spider." Sabich, her out, it will be the first in the lover. The alternative charge of United States since 1967. The negligent homicide carries a National Council of Churches maximum prison sentence of is to hold an all-night vigil two years.—Reuter.

UN backing likely for Botswana From Peter Strafford

New York, Jan 14
Members of the Security
Conneil have strongly supported

ism.
This group comprises six Botswana over its complaint of armed incursions by Rhodesia. Durban-based unions which come under the Trade Union Advisory and Co-ordinating Council (TUACC), nine Johan-Preparations were under way today for the passing of a resolution which would censure Rhodesia and call for financial assistance to Botswana. nesburg-based ones which are linked to the Urban Training Project (UTP) and the Black Allied Workers' Union (BAWU) which identifies itself with the aims of the "black conscious-ness" movement.

The complaint was presented on Wednesday by Mr Archibald Mogwe, the Botswana Foreign Minister, who gave details of attacks which he said had taken place and asked for help. Bots-wans was being forced to divert funds away from development projects, he said, to build up its security, and expected to spend \$29m (about £11m). In a speech last night, Mr Siteke Mwale, the Zambian Foreign Minister, said that the purpose of the Geneva Conference on Rhodesia was not to

legitimize the inqualities in job opportunities which exist in the strike compromises with Mr Smith, the Rhodesian leader, The recent spate of bannings took place among the leader-ship of the second group and but a forum offered for him to "capitulate gracefully".

Mr Smith, he said, was determined to maintain the status
quo even if it meant engulfing the entire area in a nuclear war. He had the connivance of South Africa and the direct or indirect collaboration of those

countries which sold arms to Rhodesia or had vested interests to ensure that the Smith regime

did not carry out acts of aggression against Botswana and other neighbouring countries.
Such acts were designed not only to intimidate the "front-line" countries, but to draw the whole of independent Africa

into an armed conflict. Mr Isaac Sepetu, the Tan-zanian Deputy Foreign Minister,

told the council that the time had come to take decisive measures against the Smith regime. He called for an end to violations of sanctions and for an extension of the existing

Those who simply hoped for a negotiated settlement in Rhodesia and did nothing practical to bring about the country's freedom and independence, were indulging in self-delusion.

The Botswana position is that it gives asylum to refugees from Rhodesia but does not have "freedom fighters" nationalist movement Zanu (Zimbabwe African National Union), based in London, are Union), based in London, are switching their support to the Rev Ndabaningi Sithole, and withdrawing from the faction led by Mr Robert Mugabe.

Announcing the decision yesterday, Mr Austin Chakaodza, former publicity secretary of operating from its territory The expectation was that the council would accept this posirion and condemn Rhodesia This created difficulties for Britain ,which is now, through Mr Ivor Richard, chairman of the Geneva conference trying to persuade both sides that it would be a neutral presence in Rhodesia. The British fear was that by voting for such a

Gilmore invites five to see his execution From Our Own Correspondent

resolution, it would seem to Pretoria and Salisbury to be showing bias.

New York, Jan 14 Gary Gilmore, the convicted Utah murdered who insists on being executed, has chosen five people to be witnesses when he goes before the firing squad at a prison, outside Salt Lake City on Monday morning.

One of them is Mrs Nicole Barrett, a friend who tried to commit suicide at the same time as he did last November. Mrs Barrett, however, is now in a mental institution, and is not likely to be allowed out. Mr Gilmore has also invited an uncle, two lawyers, and a man who offered him a book

CONTRact. The American Civil Liberties Union said it would be filing suits in both federal and state courts in a final attempt to block the execution, which it fears will set a precedent for others under sentence of

If the execution is carried outside the prison on Sunday. gangsters.

that firm moving to Glasgow or the North-ex. Mrs Millie Miller (*) Ilford, North, Lab) sa the conscious decision people and industry out that brought about which had developed chaos seen in the capita. The architects and pla advised many local antidoubt acquired their the eminent tutors. What the do was to understand pattern of families in Even now they did Mr Geoffrey Finsberg (Camden, Hampstead, Cl., opening a debate on urban affairs said nobody could deny that the inner cities were decaying and might well soon be beyond rescue. Many MPs had been saying this with little notice being taken. He wekomed the inner areas study report which was published on Wednesday. This gave ample proof of what MPs had been

saying.

A city should be a place where people could lead a full life in every sense. It must be a place in which there was work and yet working areas must be attractive, in which there were places for leisure and education, places in which people could live. All this must be combined so that they did not get the curse of modern civilization—uncontrolled traffic. If they loked at any city, London, Portsmouth, Liverpool, they could see monuments to the real villains of the present eradedicated planners.

Inner London, especially in the

dedicated planners.

Inner London, especially in the east and south, was in decline. The main loss had been from the skilled working sector. The financial burden for the provision of services was carried by a decreasing base. There might well be a case that London needed another method of additional finance which might well be a tourist tax. Inner London was in severe danger of becoming a ghost city with only a façade of the commercial and cultural status once accorded to it. accorded to it.

accorded to it.

The Location of Offices Bureau had terms of reference to encourage the decentralization of office employment from central Loudon to suitable areas elsewhere. Despite protestations it still continued its work. There was a danger that the new downward trend in London could be accentuated and accelerated if it continued its activities.

Housing was at the core of the inner city problems. The increasing choosiness of would-be council house tenants was worrying, but local authorities should not offer sub-standard accommodation to

sub-standard accommodation people on their waiting lists. A city in which ordinary families found it extraordinarily difficult to find reasonable accommodation at reasonable cost was bound to suffer serious social

problems.

The neglected city (he said) breeds its own problems of vandalism, mugging, decay and unemployment, and perhaps worst of all, despair.

Mr Robert Mellish (Southwark, Bermondsey, Lab) said that when he was appointed a jurier boulers. be was appointed a junior housing minister in 1964 he was advised that at all costs London must be denuded of population and denuded of population and industry because it was growing too fat and bloated and the other regions were suffering as a con-

of these great planners. I spent my time doing all I could to urge industry and people to leave London. I look back now and recognize that that was the worst advice any government has ever been given.

been given.
Having started that action, which previous Tory Governments had been advised to follow, they found it gained such a momentum that it became an enormous success. They made the mistake, and might be still making it today, of regarding London in the same context as the south-east. For certain reasons, appalling mistakes were made about high-It was for Britain, as the colonial authority in Rhodesia, the ensure that the Smith regime to put forward any scheme for a tower block. That was out.

Tonight there would be several thousand young people in London.

who had nowhere to sleep. It was no good the Department of the Environment saying it was not their problem. He wanted Government involvement in dealing with homelesses. ment involvement in dealing with homelessness.

Mr Anthony Grant (Harrow, Cen-tral, C) said that if they were going to achieve a sensible and viable economic society in the cities there had got to be changes in the Office Development Permit and Industrial Development Certificate policies. A further relaxation of the IDC policy was

Men, in the previous government, he had had to administer the IDC policy he had been unable to find any evidence that the effect of refusing a certificate to a rela-tively small firm ever resulted in

boroughs should delay. comprehensive redel plans which were tob. Mr Laurence Pavitt (Bre Lab) said some of the p for residential purposes turned into offices she have people living in the they did not have a 1 economic future and stability of the count largely be determined in cities. They must urg

to ensure that they wou cessful in coping w problems. Mr Timothy Sainsbury i for the Opposition ing revitalize the priv of tenure. This would ling a way of making quicker and cheaper for whether resident or no to obtain repossession property from bad tenat

mr Gny Barnett, Under for Environment (C Lab), said the Govern undertaking a major as study in the range of that had been raised in the strategy of many strategy. For one reason or ano were people who wou like the opportunity to a central London but were Often their children has another part of the cour One of the unhapp quences (he said) of tr sion that has taken pl 1945 has been the bre

that was possible in fam in the dark days of the that many faced today.

Substantial improventaken place in city life,

> of measures used in the suggested for the fi

They were reviewing a matter of urgency and the cies would be transis action. A number of steps had already bee Priority was already urban areas. They not great deal of useful expect-knowledge accquired in to-of various projects proc-the Government to he' areas and to study com-

They must now exact contribution to be made programmer of Governot consider how they fitted into an attack on urban. He could not apricipate ings of the committee by clear that they needed re-forward. The debate cluded. House adjourned

United voice in fight against terrorism

European Parliament Luxembourg
A call to all governments and
parliaments of member states of
the EEC to ratify immediately the European Convention on the Suppression of Terrorism was made in a resolution carried unanimously. The convention has been established within the framework of the Council of Europe and will be signed on January
24 by the Committee of Ministers.
Sir Peter Kirk (Saffron Waldon,
C), Leader of the Conservative
Group, moving the resolution on
behalf of all six political groups
in the Parliament said it was in the Parliament, said it was in the Parliament, said it was right for all groups to agree on anything, particularly anything as highly political as terrorism.

The resolution brought no judgment to bear on past actions. It looked instead to the way in which terrorism could best be combated in future.

The nine governments and nine national parliaments of the Community were being asked to sign

The nine governments and nine national parliaments of the Community were being asked to sign and ratify the convention as soon as possible. The convention was drawn up last autumn by the Council of Europe of which all nine member states were also members.

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The convention had been agreed and he inderstood many governments had already indicated their intention to sign on January 24 and ensure that ratification took place as early as possible.

The convention stated that the contracting states would not regard as political, offences committed through terrorism. In other words it would not be open to terrorists to plead that they could not be extradited from one member state to another because their action was political. It was an important step forward on behalf of all the 18 states of the Council of Europe.

Mr William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab) said France's action in releasing Mr Abou Daoud had received almost universal condemnation in the press all over the world. Unless there was unlted action to combat international terrorism everyone would suffer.

If we do not hang together (he said) we will hang separately at the hands of these international gangsters.

Controlling dangerous ar toxic wastes

A resolution carried by ment suggested several ments to a proposed Co. directive on toxic and d wastes. Mr Christopher hat, Commissioner for policy and financial cont the Commission would nearly all of the amenda The resolution, approx in the near future the Cor should also submit prope directives covering was

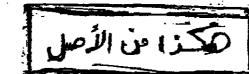
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wastes to ensure that the De identified even after storage. The need to a transport of toxic and di wastes by inexperienced was pointed out. The Cou-was asked to require states to specify the loca which toxic and dangerou-might be stored. The resolution insisted

case of emergency or grager the competent au be transferred to and, if I be transitered to and, n is treated at a suppolated site. sidered imperative for the mission to include in its j for a directive the print the unconditional liability ducers of toxic and

Finally the resolution of the Commission to includingly dangerous sub-aspestos among the toxic a gerous substances to be l:

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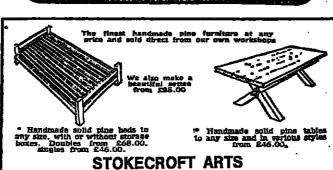
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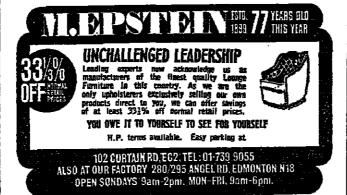
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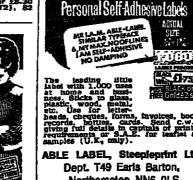










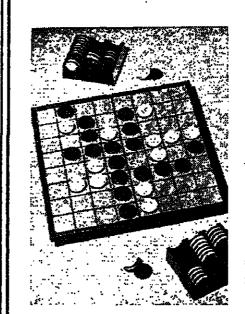


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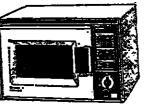
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Scotland's part is to go out and try, England's to do or die

Rugby Correspondent England begin their rugby season against Scotland at Twickenbam today (2.30) with a side who have been picked to man and, if need be, to die upon the barricades. With seven defeats in a row and four wooden spoons, two of them whitewashed, in the neast five years, such a policy past five years, such a policy seems not unreasonable.

England are in a frame of mind England are in a frame or mind to settle for victory even by the smallest margin and, though it may not please the purists, to achieve it the hard way. The weather and conditions, which are weather and conditions, which are less likely to appeal to Scotland, may leave neither side much option in this respect. England are not thinking about the frills and the furbelows until they have or two to build confidence

snew.

Scotland, whose victory in Dublin last season was their first away from home since they best England in 1971, do not need reminding that Twickenham is not their happiest hunting ground. Yet their highest aspirations seem always to have been dashed there at the season's end, and today they ought not to feel weigned down by the same pressures. Against this, England have failed to win an opening match since Hiller contributed two remarkable dropped goals to their success over Irreland in 1970.

In some recent games England

In team in 1970.

In some recent games England have roared out of their starting blocks and then had their confidence sapped by the surrend ling of needless points. Only time will show whether the latest side pre show whether the latest side ore less prone to excrudating error, but their formula for success from the set pieces looks fairly predictable. Young, a player of undoubted courage and character (who may have been capped some years too late) will ferret around the fringes with his Gosforth colleagues, Uttley and Dixon, on hand, or the half-backs will kick, or, if Cooper should happen to let the ball out, the determined centres will drive in for second phase.

of the Scottish full back they will need for obvious reasons, to kick accurately. Attacks close to the scrummage also seem sound tactics against a loose trio, two of whom are winning their first caps. Brewster is reputed to be a fixebrand of a Ranker, but there is a suspicion that MacDonald, an Oxford Blue, is less effective doing the defensive chores.

the defensive chores.

MacDonald, however, should contribute materially at the tall to what could be a distinct Scottish advantage at the lineout. McHarg at No 4 is arguably the most productive jumper in these islands, and the big Tomes will be a useful ally at the from. Horton has a big task to do for England, and it may be crucial that his painting is accurately done.

big task to do for England, and it may be crucial that his palming is accurately done.

But there can be little doubt that the absence of Brown, who is under suspension until early March, must weaken the Scotish effort at the mauls and in the scrummage, where Tomes switches to left-hand lock because of McHarg's preference for the other side. McLauchlan's successor at loose head, Airken, is a tight and doughty performer, but in both these areas England do not see why they cannot establish an edge. In decent conditions the longer pass of Lawson, the ingenuity of McGeechan, the new captain, at centre, and the fiair of Irvine would give Scotland some likely pluses behind the scrummage. England would hope to see the dashing and rehiable Hignell freeing two good wings in Squires and Slemen, and Cooper exploiting any openings from loose ball at stand-off helf

and Slemen, and Cooper exploiting any openings from loose ball at stand-off helf.

Cooper has the capacity, and now the confidence, to go on his own if he sees his chance. He also has the strength of mind to kick when he ought to do so, even if England's supporters are getting after him, as they frequently seem to do. I dare say he may be kicking a good deal today, and I hope the crowd will give him the fair and knowledgeable deal which was conspicuously lacking at the final trial. It makes sense for England to

'oday's t	ean	ı at Twicl	kenham
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Cold comfort for Ireland: after passing a fitness test, Gareth Edwards wins his 46th Welsh cap today.

Irish problems will be physical, not mental

Ireland have not won in Cardiff since 1967, when a single try by Alan Duggan inflicted a defeat which cost Wales their fourth successive rugby championship. Indeed, Ireland have won in Wales only three times since the war, and with five new caps, four of them behind the scrummage, their chance of beating Wales today seems slim.

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The inclusion of a 31-year-old tight head prop, Feighery, has nothing to do with the fact that he is a psychiatrist and therefore able to unravel the problems set by the Welsh front row. These are more likely to be of the physical, rather than mental, variety and one is forced to believe that Price will set Mr Feighery a few posers unknown on the consulting couch.

A visit by any Irish team produced a special sort of nervous tension among Welshmen. Although Wales swept to an, on paper, convincing victory in Dublin last season by 34 points to mine, the Irish pack gave them a real working over for two-thirds of the game and it was only total fatigue which eventually broke their resistance.

resistance.

We can expect a similar commitment from their new side, which
has been forced by advancing
years into fielding two players
under 20, McKibbin and Bowen,
in the three-quarter line. Nor do
the Welsh team or their supporters
discount the ageless Gibson, who,
at stand-off half, will be in a much
better position to dictate Irish tactics than when marooned in the at stand-off hair, will be in a much better position to dictate Irish tactics than when marooned in the centre as in the past. The Irish team arrived at Glamorgan Rhoose Airport last night after a training stint in Dublin; they have no more plans to work out before the game.

The Welsh team run-out has been severely disrupted by the weather; John Dawes, the team coach, was delayed nearly two hours driving down from London on Thursday. Those players who managed to battle their way through to Bridgend had two hours of training after which Gravell witthdrew because of an injured shoulder. His replacement is Burcher, the Newport captain, who wins bis first cap. But Gareth Edwards unexpecitedly came through unscathed, in spite of his niggling hamstring injury, and so will win his forty-sixth cap. How-

ever, some doubt must remain on this ability to last the full 80 minutes, and Brynmor Williams, his nominated deputy, may well take the field at some point today.

The betting is heavily on Wales, but there remain doubts about the abilities of Squire at number eight, and Burgess at using forward, neither of whom has international experience. Squire has the unenviable task of following Mervyn Davies. But if Wales win only 40 per cent of the ball they have enough high-powered artillery behind the scrummage to make victory as near a formality as can ever be in top class sport.

The pitch has been covered with 40 x 8 yards polythene sheeting and the groundsman at the national stadium, Bill Hardiman, is confident that the match would not be affected by the weather.

"The sheeting has the effect of a waterproof blanket, so no frost has got into the ground at all",

has got into the ground at all "

he said.

Mr Hardiman's main concern is to ensure that when the time comes to pull off this highly effective mackintosh, the water runs into the surrounding drains and not on to the playing surface. Sixty volunteers will be drafted in this morning to help shift the covering and if the water is more than an inch deep numps will be on hand.

inch deep, pumps will be on hand to assist.

WALES: J. P. R. Williams (Bridgend); T. G. R. Davies (Cardiff), S. P. Fenwick (Bridgend), D. Burcher (Newport), J. J. Williams (Llanelli, Captain), G. O. Edwards (Cardiff); G. Shaw (Neath), R. W. Windsor (Pontypool), G. Price (Pontypool), A. J. Martin (Aberavon), G. A. D. Wheel (Swansea), T. P. Evans (Swansea), J. Squire (Newport), C. Burgess (Ebbw Vale):

IRELAND: F. Wilson (CIYMS); T. O. Grace (St Mary's, captain), A. R. McKibbin (Instomians), J. A. McIlrath (Ballymena), D. J. Bowen (Cork Constitution); C. M. H. Gibson (NIFC), R. J. McGrath (Wanderers); P. A. Orr (Old Wesley), P. C. Whelan (Garryowen), T. A. Feighery (St Mary's), M. I. Keane (Lansdowne), R. F. Hakin (CIYMS), S. A. McKinney (Dungannon); W. P. Duggan (Blackrock), S. M. Deering (Garryowen). Referee: N. R. Sanson (Scotland).

Football

Treat Best like rest, Fulham tell league

By Norman Fox
Fulham's reply to a letter from
Alan Hardaker, secretary of the
Football League, accusing them
of arrogance over the case of
George Best, was made public
yesterday and it would seem that
they want the league to treat
Best like any other player and
then give the league an assurance
that the terms of his contract
bind him to the club until the
end of the season. It was Fulham's
refusal to say that Best would
stay until the season's end that
brought Mr Hardaker's accusation of arrogance.

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In his letter Graham Hortop, Fulham's secretary, says: "Other players who had played in the United States were granted registration without delay or problems. It was only in the case of George Best that any difficulty arose and then only with the league, the FA having dealt with him on the same basis as other players. I note that you make no complaint as to the terms of the contract Fulham has with George Best, which binds him to play for the club for the whole season. I hope this allays your 'suspicions', which incidentally were not mentioned at the time of the original registration."

Mr Hortop adds: "I note that.

registration."

Mr Hortop adds: "I note that, as suspected, although there are other players who have played in the United States, this purported form of registration is unique to George Best. The club's view is simply that George Best should be treated in the same way as other players in the same position. If it is the intention of the management; committee to impose some ment committee to impose some general restriction against all players who have played in the United States, then this should be United States, then this should be the subject matter of a new regulation after discussion with the FA, the clubs, the league and the players so that it may be applied to all such players."

Finally, Mr Hortop says he is sorry Mr Hardaker considers Fulham to be arrogant, but adds: "I must say I am surprised that you should have thought it necessary to use this mode of expression. I should have thought that.

sion. I should have thought that, as members of the Football League, my club has the right to express its views." He says that Fulham and the league seem to Fulham and the league seem to agree that it is in the interest of football that Best should be allowed to play in accordance with his club contract, and Mr Hortop says: "It is precisely with this in mind that we have taken issue with you as to your right to treat him as a special case by purporting to give him a registration which only allows him to play for half the season." The league granted Best a temporary registration when Fulham obtained him from Los Angeles Aztecs last August.

Bob Saxton, aged 33. has been appointed player-manager of Exeter City in place of John Newman, who has taken over the managership of Grimsby Town.

Hardaker looks back in anguish to the snows of yesteryear

Football Correspondent Football Correspondent
Snow in the north and a sudder thaw in the south will again distrupt the football programme Nine of today's Football Leagumatches were called off befor nightfall yesterday and Scotlanhas lost 14 games. Pitch inspections will probably bring furthe postponements this morning, adding to the 122 League games purify so far this season.

The Football League are no:

The Football League are no managers to release players from World Cup training in March when England play Luxembourt and Wales meet Czechoslovakia

when England play Luxembour; and Wales meet Czechoslovakia. Yesterday Alan Hardaker, secretary of the Football League, said that there were only seven midweek dates left to accommodate rearranged matches. If manymore games have to be rearranged the League will have no alternative than to extend the season, as they did in 1953.

Newtastle United were the first to abandon hope of playing today. Heavy snow at St James's Park made it impossible for them to consider playing against Tottenham Hotspur today and left them with a backlog of four games. Now facing several matches in quick succession, they must know that their chances of winning the championship, which looked good not long ago, are being reduced by circumstances beyond their control.

Leeds United's under soil heat-ing could not save their game with Birmingluam City and Stoke City's ground was under five inches of snow last night cousing the post-ponement of their match with Bristol City. It is the fourth home fixture Stoke have put off since nxture Stoke have put off since December 4.

The leading four clubs in the first division hope to escape the damaging effects of the weather. Two of them. Aston Villa and Manchester City. in fourth and third places respectively, meet at Villa Park in the day's most attractive match and the leaders, Liverpool, expect their pitch to bass a morning inspection, thus allowing

pool, expect their pitch to bass a morning inspection, thus allowing them to play West Bromwich Albion. Ipswich Town are also confident that their match with Everton will go ahead.

Snow covers Villa's pitch but they expect to play one of their most important games of the season. Manchester City have not been beaten in 12 matches yet they campor expect continued sucocen beaten in 12 matches yet they cannot expect continued success at Villa Park, where the Birmingham club have lost only once this season. Villa have completed three successive away matches and although they beat Leicester City in the FA Cup last Samuday, their seasy largest Saturday, their recent League per-formances have not been as impressive as earlier in the season. A lot will depend on whether their regular scorer. Gray, can find a way past City's sound defender, Watson. Tueart should have recovered from a hamstring injury to take his place in City's attack.



A different ball game: Fairclough simulating the re with an outsize snowball on the frozen wastes of Ar

Everton, now without a manager because of Billy Bingham's dis-missal, could hardly have a more missal, could hardly have a more uncomfortable ending to a week of upheaval. They go to Ipswich, who are unbeaten at home. Everton have not won a league game since November 20. Steve Burtenshaw, who is acting as team manager, said: "We cannot continue with our adventurous policy. We have given away too many goals recensly, but I still hope we shall provide entertainment." The absence of Hunter in the Ipswich defence gives Everton a slightly defence gives Everton a slightly better chance of moving on to a

more successful course. more successful course.

After two arduous FA Cup matches with Crystal Palace, Liverpuol have several injury problems which could allow West Bromwich to become only the second club this season to take a point away from Antield. If this chould baroon Insist hould this should happen, Ipswich could be in the strong position of being one point behind Liverpool with three matches in hand. Toshack

available for Liverpool a

After beating Tottenha week, Queen's Park Rar in a healthler position, ar so after providing Low its most interesting foot season. Today they r capital's third struggli have Radford ready to p a hamstring strain but still await the recovery

The postponement of match at Notts County allows Bolton Wanderers verhampton Wanderers to on them at the top of th division. Bolton have to provided it is passed Wolves will be seeking to their total of 51 league g-a home win over Sheffiel:

Regional contest added to English pyramid

By Peter West English rugby next season will stage inter regional and inter divisional competitions, following stands at present and preceding one national trial. This may not be an ideal solution to the English problem of instituting a ladder system to the top but, since the PFII has pladged issals to the top but, and the problem of the top but, since the top but, since the problem of the top but, since the top bu the county championship as it system to the top but, since the fortunght later but the mai, which RFU has pledged itself to the retention of the county championship as a major competition, it is a praiseworthy and much-needed following Christmas.

There can be no doubt that the initiative and determination of the president of the RFU, Dickle Jeeps has played, the decisive hand in bringing it about. In the past month he has chaired informal meetings, in the four main areas of the country, involving formal meetings, in the four main areas of the country, involving representation of the major clubs and the county constituent bodies. The key question he put to them was: where does England's petformance feature in your thinking? He said yesterday: "We played on the same Saturday as

have to make sure that every-one is moving in the same direc-tion, and I was heartened by the degree of goodwill and coopera-tion."

The four divisions of the county

following Christmas.

On the Saturday (week 13) following the county semi-finals, eight teams will participate in inter-regional matches (ie. northeast v north-west) and the next two Saturdays will be devoted to inter-divisional contests. On the first of them, say, north will play south-west and midlands will meet Metropolitan.

the final one is now. And only players with English qualifications will be selected for the new com-

petitions.
The John Player Cup knockout competition henceforth will take place in the second half of the place in the second half of the season. First round matches, previously due for completion early in December, must be finished in future by week 20, and those for the second round by week 24. Subsequent dates will coincide with those for the Welsh Cup, and it is hoped that Wales may be able to synchronise their earlier dates as well.

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The RFU president conceded that the new competitions will put considerable pressure on the better players but stressed that where previously the selectors have chosen their first two trials fifteens basically from 27 county teams, there will in future be a much steadier and more realistic sifting of talent. It is important, too, that the chairmen of the divisional selection committees will be nominated to the union by the chairman of the national panel, and it is to be hoped that person will also preside over those who pick



Dickie Jeeps: RFU president

Scots rearrange new dates with clubs' help

Weather conditions have played hevor with the Scottish League programme. Only one match remains in the premier division:

Ayr United at home to Dundee United. The ground will be inspected at 8.0 title morning. Ayr ted at 9.0 tiks morning. Ayr, battling to climb clear of relegation—they are second from the bottom—have made a good start to 1977, with three points from their first two games. Both were at home

They beat Kilmarucck 3—1, then held Aberdeen, the joint leaders, to a goalless draw.

James McLean, the Dundee United menager, has added Hall united manager, has added Hall and Dodds to the team that lost 1—2 to Celtic at Taunadice last Saturday. Ground conditions will determine his line-up. United are challenging Celtic, Aberdeen and Rangers for the championship.

The freeze-up has left the Scortish League with nearly 90 post-poned games to reschedule in the three divisions. A spokesman said: "The clubs have been helping us by trying to arrange dates emong themselves. Officially, premier league and first division postponed matches are not due to be played in midweek until next mozth, and we cannot force a chub to play a postponed game in midweek if they are due to play a Scottish Cup tie the following Saturday."

Dougan and Kettering face | FIFA criticia sponsorship trouble

Derek Dougan faces another confrontation with the Football Association foilowing a decision to allow the Kettering players to wear shirts bearing the name of the club's chief executive, ran into trouble last year after organizing a f10,000 sponsorship scheme with Kettering Tyres, which involved the players wearing shirts with the firm's name emblazoned across the firm's name emblazoned across the

He agreed to suspend the scheme nine months ago after the FA announced that they were to review the entre advertising and view the entire advertising and sponsorship situation. Dougan was not available for comment yesterday but Kettering's assistant manager, Brian Thompson, said: "We have waited patiently all this time for the issue to be settled and so far nothing has been done. We are not orenared to wait any longer." not prepared to wait any longer."
Kettering were to have worn their
"Kettering Tyres" shirts in an
FA Trophy match today but it
has been postponed because of
the weather.

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Barry East, the chairman of the Isthmian League, said yesterday that Rottmans's decision to withdraw their sponsorship from nonleague football in June had been brought about by "taxation for taxation's sake."

He added: "It's a very sad day for football in general. Thanks to

now looking for a new sponsor and Mr East is confident of finding

"This is not the end of the world for sponsored football", he said. "But the Rothmans sponsorship went far deeper than just putting money into the game. The emphasis was on attacking football and sportsmanship and the victors characters have been driven from the game. Proof that this is what the public wants is that our average gates have gone up by 20 per cent in the last two years."

The Isthmian League has been steadily improving the standard and size of its competition. Even before sponsorship, they had increased the league to two divisions and are to go ahead with a third next season.

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Ingram Whittingham, the secretary, said: "Rothmans's withdrawal means that the clubs will have to work much harder to maintain the league's impetus and progress. My immediate reaction is one of acute disappointment.

security in Cameroun

after disturbances on and

match was a first-round set tie in group seven of the qualifying tournament for World Cup in Argentina. foot fence round the pital National Stadium before international match can be there. FIFA also suspends there. FIFA also suspends to the Congole keeper, for two years for ing and striking? the refe ing the same march.

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Athletics

N Zealand invitation to **Boit rejected by Kenya**

Nairobi, Jan 14.—The Kenya Amateur Athletic Association (KAAA) have rejected an invitation for Michael Boit to compete in four sports meetings in New Zealand later this month.

The KAAA secretary Isaiah Kiplagat, said today: "No Kenya athlete will be allowed to compete against the Kiwis anywhere in the world until the decision by the Organization of African Umity (OAI) and the Supreme Council for Sport in Africa (SCSA) to bar sporting relations with New Zealand is changed."

Sports officials here said the New Zealand AAA had invited Boit to take part in meetings at Hamilton, Christchurch, Wangamia and Aucklaud berween January 19 and 29. The New Zealand body had offered to meet all expenses.

Kenya were among the African nations who boycotted the 1975 Olympics in Montreal in protest against New Zealand eputy Prime Minister, Mr Brian Talboys, later visited Kenya and mer Ministers and officials here. He explained that the New Zealand government did not control the activities of the country's sports associations. At the end of his visit to Kenya and the country's sports associations. At the end of his visit to Kenya and the country's sports associations. At the end of his visit to Kenya and the country's sports associations. At the end of his visit to Kenya and the country's sports of the gount to Kenya and the country's sports associations. At the end of his visit to Kenya and the country in the end of his visit to Kenya and the country in the end of the decitor of African feeling on the question of

Badminton .

Dutch easy winners

Rob and Paul Ridder, who helped the Netherlands defeat Scotland in the badminton inter-national on Thursday, were easy winners in the first round of the day.

MEM'S SINGLES: First round: N. E.

MICCLOS (Greenock) beat S. Catras

(Palsky), 15—9, 9—15, 15—11.

Doubles (Edinburgh) beet B. Joiner

(Perils), 11—12, 15—10, 15—7; C.

Wortel (Netherlands) beat D. Travers



Golf

Watson masters frosty course to share lead

Tucson, Arizona, Jan 14.—Tom Watson, a former British Open champion, mastered a frosty course at the Tucson National Country Clab yesterday to share the lead in the first round of the Tucson Open reals towards

Country Clab yesterday to share the lead in the first round of the Tucson Open golf tournament.

Watson had a round of 67 (five under par). a score matched by Gary McCord, Gil Morgan, Andy North and Alan Tapie, Craig Stadler, a former United States Amateur champion, was one stroke behind.

The tournament started late because of heavy frost, and darkness ended play with 24 players still out on the course, including Peter Oosterhuis, of Britain, who had a 37 for the first nine.

Watson, who is the only tournament winner among the five leaders, had five birdies. "I wat able to keep the ball in play and my putting was good". he said. Forrest Fezler achieved a delayed birdie when he resumed his first round today to join the leaders. Fezler had only one hole—the tough ninth—to play and the others who completed play today immediately turned around and began second-round play.

John Miller, winner of the last three Tucson events and an overwhelming favourite to win again, John Miller, winner of the last three Tucson events and an over-whelming favourite to win again, Ben Crenshaw and Jerry Pate, the United States Open champion and a winner last week at Phoenix, all had first rounds of 74 and must improve if they are to make the cut for the last two rounds tomorrow and Sunday.

Of the players who had to come back and finish their rounds today only Fezier was among the leaders. The next best score was a 70 by Mark Hayes.

Leading scores:

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A. North, A. Taple, F. Fezier.
68: C. Stadter.
69: T. Aaron, J. Dent, J. Inman, R.
Massanzie, J. McGee.
70: C. Arther, C. Coody, D. Hill,
74: A. Wall, M. Hayes,
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76: B. Crambon (Australia).
77: J. Horton (CB),—Reuter and Ap.

Weekend fixtures Kick-off 3.0 unless stated First division

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Bristol City.

Third division

Brighton v Chester Bury v Rotherham (3.15) Chesterfield v Port Vale (3.15) .. C Palace v Grimsby

bury: Lincoln v Walsail.

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Boardman and Eccles v Old Hubmelans;
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Oldham v Blackpool

Fourth division

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Orient v Bolton Scottish premier division Manchester Utd v Coventry Southampton v Millwall Ayr v Dundee Utd

Scottish first division

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NATIONAL CLUS CHAMPIONSHIP: East I quarter final round: Bedford v Bury St Edmunds YMCA (1.49)

OTHER MATCHES: Enfield v Bedfordshire Eagles: Gore Court v Sevenoaks; Spencer v Relgate: Polytechnic v Hounslow: London University v Gravasend.

Road running
Micham 25 hm races (Men and Women from Cranmer Middle Sch. 2.15).

Squash rackets
Homes International tournament (at Cart),
RAF v Stirrey (at RAF Uxbridge),
Harwell SRC v WRAF (at Harwell).

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Rugby Union International matches England v Scotland (at Twickenham

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Rugby League First division Cross-country

Hampshire League (at Fleet), Sussey League (Men & Women, at avvanth Heath), Eashern Counties veterans champion-hips (at Cambridge),

Football; Preview (12.25). Racing: Ascot races at 1.0, 1.35, 2.10.

Football: Match of the Day (10.10). BBC 2-tomorrow

Rugby Union: England v Scot- IBA—tomorrow land, Wales v Ireland (5.0). Football: Big Match (2.15

Zürich, Jan 14.—The national Football Fe (FIFA) today confirmed C the winners of a World Cu

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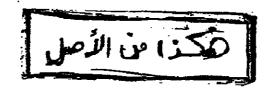
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London Services League

Real tennis Squash rackets

Television highlights

Rugby Union: England v Scotland (2.20), Wales v Ireland (4.0).

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Football: Preview (12.35)
Skiing: Men's downfull
buhel.
Greyhound racing: Haring
at 2.8, 2.23, 2.38. Motor racing: Argentine
Prix (3.0).
American football:
Raiders v Minnesota (3.10). Wrestling: Bradford pr {4.0}.



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Bailey, seem incapable of nything wrong these days.

Son, Skryne, Strombolus ince Rock have all won rizes for them already this. In their attempt to pull another coup, they are this time on Skryne, who

won the valuable Castleford handicap steeplechase at Wetherby just after Caristmas. Bailey's main

after Christmas. Bailey's main worry is that the ground may now be too soft for Skryne, following all the snow and rain. In the circumstances, Early Spring looks the better bet.

Summerville could be a second winner for Bob and Andrew Turnell. He certainly seems to have an excellent chance of winning the Jock Scott handicap steeplechase especially as Canasta Lad, who won the same race 12 months ago, has not run this season. But King Neptune. Turnell's runner in the Peter Rock, Stublick, Arctic Heir, Sea Swell, Zarib and Midnight Court also in the field, this race looks like being one of the toughest of its type run this season. Zarib may well start favourite because he was not remotely disgraced at Sandown Park last weekend, even though he was beaten by Lanzarote.

I prefer Stublick, who has all the makings of a good staying steeplechaser. Stublick has already won makings of a good staying steeple-chaser. Stublick has already won over three miles at Doncaster this over three miles at Doncaster this season and he completely outclassed Indian Sheba and Goldburg who had both won their previous races. One thing is certain and that is that today's race is certainly going to put a strain on staining. Midnight Court has a useful allowance but on the other hand he has never run in a steeple-thase and he may well be trained. chase and he may well be at a dis-advantage this time.

The finish of the Philip Cornes novices' hurdle, which will entitle

novices' hurdle, which will entitle the first four to run in the Philip Cornes Saddle of Gold final at Newbury on March 5, should confirm Outpoint, Brave Kid, Linkenholt, and Tour de Force. Outpoint has already won three times this season, but my own preference lies with Brave Kid, who had good form on the flat in France. Brave Kid made a big impression on me when I saw him win at Kempton Park in November.

Slim Jim, who finished third to

Park in November.

Slim Jim, who finished third to French Hollow at Nottingbam, should be capable of beating Rough and Tumble, and Tragus in the firsth division of the Durham Ranger novices' hurdle, but French Hollow's own attempt to win the other division may well be thwarted by Tammer Fors, who will be ridden by the "Galloping Major" himself, his owner, a Swedish Army officer, Major Lars Sward. Sward.

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Together they have already brought off a couple of coups this season, winning initially at Huntingdon and then again at Wetherby. Those two performances suggested that Tammer Forsmay well become just as proficient racing over hurdles as he was when he was trained for flat racing in Ireland, where he won six times.

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Racing Correspondent Jim. 1.35 BRAVE KID is specially recommended. 2.10 Early 2.40 Stublick. 3.15 Summerville. 3.45 Tammer Fors.

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Squash rackets

PHILADELPHIA: North American open championship: First round; G. Hunt (Anstralia) beat J. Resor. 1US., 15—11. 15—6. 18—17: H. Jahan (Palsain) beat J. Resor. 1US., 16—17: H. Jahan (Palsain) beat K. Binns (Canada: 15—6. 15—6. 15—6. 15—6. 15—15. 16—6. 15—15. 16—6. 15—15. 16—6. 15—15.

Real tennis

Ice hockey NATIONAL LEAGUE: Boston Bruins 4. Los Angeles Rings 5: Buifaio Sabres 7. New York Rangers 5: Colorado Rockles 4, Detroit Redwings 2:

Cricket

Klammer caught in mid air during practice on the famous Hahnenkamm course vesterday. Klammer seeks third win

on the Hahnenkamm today in bright sunshine Indi-cated tomorrow's race would be fast and dramatic if conditions stayed the same. "There are lots of little bumps and waves which call for a very fine touch on the skids," he said. 'This really is one of the most selective courses in the world." Tomorrow's downhill could pro-

Kitzbühel, Austria, Jan 14.— Austria's downhill skier, Franz Klammer, tomorrow seeks a record-breaking third successive win on the Hahnenkamm, one of world's most gruelling courses. Klammer, the 23-year-old farmer's son who has not lost a World Cup downfull for almost a year, is already sure of his place in the sporting history books. Today be reinforced his claims as the control of the section favourite by setting the fastest practice time, 0.51sec ahead of his most consistent world cup rival, Switzerland's Bernhard Russi.

Switzerland's Bernhard Russi.

For the past two seasons 28year-old Russi has dogged the
Austrian's tracks, taking the
silver medal in the Innsbruck
Olympic downhill last year when
Klammer took the gold. "If
Klammer taces as expected, if he
doen't fall or make a bad mistake,
he can't be beaten," the Austrian
trainer, Karl Kahr, predicted.

Mr Kahr is hoping that the
thrusting young Austrian ream
will continue to show the overwhelming dominance of this
season's previous three downwhelming dominance of this season's previous three down-hills. But the Hahmenkumm (Cox-comb, but generally known as the strip) is a piste to favour skill and experience just as much as blind courage. The best testimony to this was given two years ago by Italy's slalom specialist, Gustavo Thoeni, four times winner of the World Cup, when he came in second, three thousandths of a second behind Klammer.

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By Sydney Friskin

Thirty-two indoor hockey teams, each striving for precision, will have but one objective tomorrow—to be among the last eight in the national club championship, sponsored by Benson and Hedges, at Crystal Palace on March 4. Matches, starting tomorrow at 1 pm, will be played at Whithurch Sports Centre, Bristol; Kelsey

Sports Centre, Bristol; Kelsey Kerridge Sports Hall, Cambridge; the Montem Sports Centre, Slough; and the Herringthorpe Leisure Centre, Rotherham. The eight teams at each of the

The eight feams at each of the four centres are split into two pools from which only the winners will qualify. Hounslow and St Albans, who reached the final in 1975, are at Rotherham in separate pools and both should win, Hounslow more readily with the services

Fitness test before

FA Trophy match

Date for selection

Sydney, Jan 14.—The Austra-lian cricket team of 17 to tour England this summer will be chosen on March 17. Players will

Tomorrow's downhill could provide Klammer with the basis for an assault on the World Cup, the prize that has ejuded him so far.

Hockey

Miss Barker runs out

Tennis

Speed skating

an easy winner

Hollywood, Florida, Jan 14.—
Susan Barker, of Britain, was not surprised yesterday when she defeated Renata Tomanova, 6—0, 6—3, to reach the quarter final round of the tennis tournament here. "I've got so much confidence against her. I could almost close my eyes", Miss Barker said. She has never lost against her Czechoslovak opponent.

Miss Barker's match was the only singles contest of the afternoon. The third-seeded Martina Navratilova, who beat Miss Evert, 6—2, 6—3, last Sunday in the first tournament of the season, beat Marcie Louie, 6—2, 6—2, last night and will now meet Miss Barker tomorrow. Miss Barker tomorrow.

Miss Barker won \$25,500 in her first year on the American tour and reached the quarter-final round at Wimbledon. She called Miss Tomanova's game "predictable."

FA Irophy match

Frank Saul faces a late fimess
test on a leg injury before
Dagenham finalize their team to
play at Leatherhead in today's FA
Trophy first round. The former
Tottenham Hotspur and Millwall
man was injured last week and has
been unable to train.

Wycombe Wanderers go to Barnet with Kettleborough recovered
from influenza and Hollfield back
after injury in midfield.

Miss Tomanova's game "predictable".

"I knew what she was going to do, I've played her a lot", she said. "I think maybe she tries a little too much. She hits the ball solidly. It's a nice pace for me. I don't have to start changing my game. I just hit side to side.

In the only other singles match last night the top-seeded Miss Evert beat Valerie Ziegenfuss, 6—1. 6—1.—AP.

Adelaide, Jan 14.—Only two marches were completed in the 575,000 mens' tennis tournament because of beavy rainfall here because of beavy rainfall here Amaya, the big-serving American left-bander, fought his way to the semi-final round with an exciting win over Colin Dibley, of Australia. Amava, who is 22, was taken to three sets before winning 6-3, 6-7, 6-3.

In the other match, Rolf Gehring, of West Germany, had a

the paid a tour allowance of about 4,000, the Australian Cricket Board announced here today.

The board also decided that the smooth passage to the quarter-final round when his fellow countrymen, Uli Marten, forfeited the match ofter trailing 3-0 in the second set. General took the first set 6-3 last night before the match was postponed.—Reuter. Australian youth (under-19) team of 15 to tour England in June and July would be selected in March.—Reuter.

O'Neill for Bacup Mark O'Neill, an 18-year-old son of the former Australian Test cricketer, Norman O'Nelli, is to be a professional for Bacup, of

the Lancashire League. O'Neill, the youngest professional in the league's history, is an opening batsman and medium-fast bowler. MONTSERRAT: Shell Shield: Lee-ward and Winward Islands, 518 for sia (J. Allen 150, N. Philitp 11 not out.)

French warm-up

Duncan Keith, a Winchester trainer, who has booked David Maitland to ride Miss Filbert, his Lincoln Handicap prospect, is sending the five-year-old for a

Greig to the rescue yet again

toling to one to come in at number four England's recoveries might start sooner. The need for them seems an inevitable part of all their innings, whoever the opposition. Today, Brearley, with his top Test score, played the role that has been cast for him. You could almost say that, by taking four hours 40 minutes to make 59, he overplayed it. Batting was never easy; Brearley never made it look it, but he was dogged, watchful and correct. Without him England might have been crideally short of runs. Greig, I think, enjoys having his back to the wall. He, too, was patient, though he ventured slightly more than in Calcutta. On only one of the eight more

or less full days' play in this series (five hours and a half constitutes a full day) have more than 200 runs been made. That was the first, when Knott made a rapid 75. Today, except during the first hour of the afternoon, it was again desperately slow going, with countless interruptions to make it slower, not to mention Bedi's time-wasting tactics. It was also scorchingly bot. One way and another it was a hard day's grind.

The dropping of Amiss off the first ball of the march, a straight-forward chance to backward short:

leg off Madan Lal, depressed not a bouncer. What turn there was From John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent
Madras, Jan 14
England made their customary start in the third Test match against India here today. Within the first hour they lost three cheap wickets. But Greig played, if not another rallying indings, at least another saving one, helped this another saving one, helped this another saving one, helped this first fourth wicket.

The pitch was metiesome enough to begin with—there are the suspicions of a ridge at one end—and when the ball hit one of the odd patches of quite green grass it was when Tolchard retired hurt to make England the equivalent of 33 for four. But again Delhi and Calcutta, and India found no one to follow up the early inroads.

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with the running out of Randall, For anyone as fast as Randall there was a long second run for his stroke to deep third man. Half-way through it, though, Randall stopped in his tracks, as if thinking that Brearley, his partner, might not be coming. By the dime Randall restarted, Mankad's accurate refuners allows basing him. ate return was always beating him. At the same score Tolchard withdrew after being hit on the back of the hand by a ball from Amaroath which lifted.

The spinners were yet to bowl. The irony was that when they did so England, for a while at any rate, breathed more freely. So far in this series Chandrasekhar has in this series Chandrasegnar has not been the bowler he was four years ago. In 86 overs he has taken only three wickers. England no longer view with apprehension the moment that he takes the ball. At lunch the score was 53 for three. The first hour afterwards was much the fastest of the day, with Greig and Brearley adding

was slow, though. Madan Lal in a second spell looked as likely as snyone to take the next wicket, which by rea had sull to fall. In the second hour of the afternoon England scored 19 runs and India bowled 12 overs. It was cricket at the halt, a game of exaggerated

This evening India made more ground than England. Greig and Brearley had both crept into their Brearley had both crept into their fifnes and nothing much was happening when Greig, making room to force Bedi off the back foot, got a ball that bounced more than most and was caught at slip. This was Bedi's two-hundredth Test wicket, a landmark reached only by five Englishmen, four Australians and two West Judians. It is Bedi's fifty-first Test match and he is the first slow left arm flight hower in the list. I use the word bowler in the list. I use the word flight to allow for the fact that Underwood is there. With 20 minutes left Brearley

With 20 minutes left Brearley was also out, as unluckily as can be. A sweep not far from the middle of the bat hit Amarnath on top of the head, whence it cannoned as an easy catch to Prasanna, the bowler. Batting last on so unpredictable a pitch India are going to need all such luck that they can get.

Tolchard expects to be able to hat unpurpose. bat tomorrow.

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not a rallying one. He and Brearley together put on 111 for the fourth wicket.

Imran gives Pakistan a chance to level series

and Safffar Nawar, numbed the wickets. If don't littink we strong Australian batting on the first day of the third and final Test here today. Australia were 198 for nine at the close of play after rain had delayed the resumption of play after tea for batted first if he had won the toss, but as things worked out it

This season, after only three downhills, Klammer is lying third with 75 points behind another Austriau, Klaus Heidegger, who has 90, and Sweden's Ingemar Stemmark, with 79. But the signs are that the slalom and giant slalom specialists may cancel each resumption of play after tea for over an hour.

Imran was in devastating form with his medium pace swing bowling and claimed six for 97 off 24 overs, including six maidens. Sartraz chimed in with three for 42 off 16 overs, including four maidens.

are that the slalom and glant slalom specialists may cancel each other out this season.

Kitzbühel is the first spot on the men's World Cup calendar where combined points will be awarded for Saturday's downhill and Sunday's slalom. The favourite for the combined is probably Walter Tresch, of Switzerland, but Klammer could gain ground on Stenmark, last year's World Cup winner, with even a passable placing in the slalom.—Reuter.

LEADING TRAINING TIMES: First Daylor of Safery Cosier attempted to build a score. Chappell made 28 and the partnership had reached to before the Australian captain (Austria). 2min 70 for for for the sledom (Austria). 2min 70 for for for the sledom (Austria). 2min 70 for for for for the sledom (Austria). 2min 70 for for for for the for for the for the first ball with three for 42 off 16 overs, including four maidens.

The Australian Batting collapse started with the fifth ball of the day when Alan Turner was out without scoring, to be quickly followed by Rick McCosker, lan Davis, and Douglas Walters before lunch.

The procession was halted for a short time as Greg Chappell and Cary Cosier attempted to build a score. Chappell made 28 and the partnership had reached 62 before the Australian captain for the day when Alan Turner was out without scoring, to be quickly followed by Rick McCosker, lan Davis, and Douglas Walters before lunch.

departed. Cosier went on to reach his half-century, which included nine fours, but wickets were still felling regularly.
Rodney Marsh went for 14,
Kerry O'Keeffe for one and Gary Kerry O'Keeffe for one and Gary Gilmour for 32 before the last two batsmen. Dennis Lillee and Max Walker, halted Pakistan, who were 1-0 down in the series, with an unbeaten partnership worth 39 valuable runs. Walker was 23 not out at the end of the day and Lillee 11 not out.

Greg Chappell conceded that it was Pakistan's day. He said: "All credit must be given to the Pakistan bowlers, especially Imran Khan." He said that Imran kept on line all day, with just the odd

Guildford will make it warm indoors

Sydney, Jan 14.—Pakistan's ball doing something, and it was opening bowlers, Imran Khan that odd ball which was taking and Sarfraz Nawaz, humbled the wickets. "I don't think we

stan captain, said he would have batted first if he had won the toss, but as things worked out it toss, but as things worken out it was better to have lost it. "There was a little moisture in the wicket, which was ideal for the seam bowling of Imran and Sarfraz Nawaz", he said. "Sarfraz bowled throughout the day with a stiff neck, but still managed to take three wickets."

Innean said he was starting to acclimatize to Australian con-ditions, which were so different to those in England and Pakistan.

"Over there you keep the ball on the stumps, but it is useless here because the Australians are too strong, so you have to get your wickets by bowling outside the off stump", he said.

AUSTRALIA: First Innings C. Davis, b Sarfraz Turner, c Wasim Bari, b Sariraz B. McCosker, c Mushtag, b J. C'Regffe, c Asif, b Imran K. Lilles, not out H. N. Walker, not out Extres (p-b 3, l-b 1)

Total (for 9 wkts) .. 138, 8—146, 9—159,
BOWLING (to date): Sariraz Nawaz.
16—3—42—3; Imran Khan, 24—6—
97—6; Asir Ipkai, 15—8—53—0;
Mushisq Mohammad, 2—1—2—0.
PAKISTAN: Marid Khan, Sadiq
Mohammad, Zaheer Abbas, "Mushisq
Mohammad, Lareon Abbas, "Mushisq
Mohammad, Haroon Rashid, Asir Ipkai
Javed Miandad, Imran Khan, Sariraz
Nawaz, Wasim Bari, Iqbai Qasim.—
Reuter,

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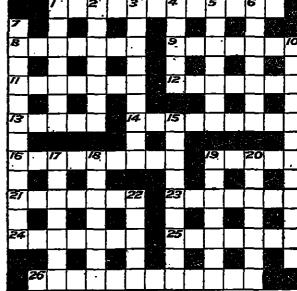
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The Times Crossword Puzzle No 14,505



Weather

spirit after a storm of passion (4, 8).

(1).

5 Elevate with superior eulogy (7). 1 A propostion shows tack of

perty officials (9). 19 How to catch a girl—with a ring (5).

21 Like ballads written by poets—for Orpheus? (7).

23 RAF type with whom one NCO is nausually curt (7).

24 Worker spotted no hawk

DOWN

1 The devout embracing the disheartened, pathetic (7).
2 Undress which upset, say, the Italian general (7).
3 Cancvelled order to get aboard (9).
4 Rulers with pens, not pencils, we hear? (5).

5 Millais's 'orizontal nymph ?

S A number of sheep turn 7 Illyrian burper? (3, 4, 5).

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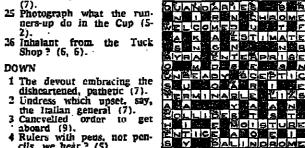
Il Ordinary shellback, one taken by engineers (7).

Il Cudgel or tack (5).

Il Acts in the new one (9).

Il Indistinctly uttered order to perty officials (9).

20 Onar's light noose-maker



SCOTLAND: Caimquim: Main runs and tower dopos: all runs complete, new snow on firm base. Vertical runs 1.500ft. Acress roads, deep anow driffing. Snow level 1.000ft. Glerathor: Main runs all complete. Lower stopes. Junple nursery area, new snow, driffing badly. Vertical runs 1.000ft. Acress runds blocked. Snow level 1.200ft. Glencos: Main runs and lower stopes. all runs complete, new snow on a hard base. Vertical runs 1.400ft. Acress roads clear. Snow level SOUT.

of Barrett, who scored a total of 14 goals for England at Cardiff last week. St Albans will have Blackheath to overcome.

Two London clubs, Talse Hill and Spencer, seem the most experienced of the eight at Bristol and should go through. Tulse Hill are expected to qualify from Slough and the overall outlook ringuished themselves at Cardiff, Nurse particularly with two brilliant goals for England It is at Cambridge, however, that most of the talent is concentrated. Guildford, last year's champions (they beat Beckenham and S—4 in the final), are drawn against East Grinstead, Northampton Saints and Westliff and should have no problems. No Guildford player, however, was in the England team at Cardiff. In the other pool Bedfordshire Eagles | Latest European snow reports .

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Davos Excellent skiing	70	155	Good	Powder	Good	Shora	-
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Kitzbühei Powder snow or	85	125	Good	Powder	Good	Cloud	-
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Generally good Seefeld	40	85	Good	Powder	Good	Cloud	(
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In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes. The following reports have been received from other sources:

FRANCE
Courcheval 50 140 Good Cloud
Les Oeux Alpes 80 300 Good Sun
Megove 80 150 Good Snow -Pra-Loup 100 300 Good Snow --6834673

An expatriate view of America

by J. P. Donleavy/Part 2

I had now spent some months in America following my return from an extended education in Europe. Comforted to a limited degree as I continued to write The Ginger Man, by Gainor Crist who was now rapidly wondering himself if he had been wise to decamp from London and join me. I revisited places of my childhood. Back to a white old mansion behind three great pines on route 22, south of Bedford, New York State, where as a child I had built my model aeroplanes in a back corner bedroom and, as the struts were drying, I used to drop stones on the snakes sunning below who had a nest in the corner of the building. I did I think have the excuse that an older local boy said that the snakes were copperheads. And the fear of such snakes, were like the fears intensifying something in one's bowels that was saying no to this land. Where my childhood friends were growing up, just as their parents did, to be trapped trembling and terrified in a nightmare.

But something in one's bowels Where my childhood friends were growing up, just as their nightmare. And temporarily to surance that there had sur- even though alive, than those New York, to Herman Mel- could return to, shattered. ville's grave. It was in a cemetary I had known from child- surely, one's own life began to hood and in which during a school summer vacation I had cut grass. For an author often another author's life can feed him some romantic energy to keep tempered the tenacity of spirit. But at the cemetery, and unlike Shakespeare's Stratford upon Avon, it seemed they had never heard of the man, and searched out the location from his file and helpfully marked it on a map. I could see as I reached the tree-shaded hill have written on the gravestone of a son who predeceased him. And on his own tomb was chiselled a feather pen. That his next of kin felt him worthy of. To tell a stranger that here lay a man in whose life there had been the written word.

And through that struggling parsimonious year, the idea that America wanted great writers and great books to culous desperations, and now heap rewards upon them, under constant siege from relentlessly vanished. I was many aggrieved citizens of the told by my father that you couldn't get anywhere unless you got on a big TV proyou got on a big TV pro-gramme like the Ed Sullivan sights to recross at the first show. And this suggestion was as crushing as, alas it was blue green. Atlantic. But I never thought for one second that in the chaos of his life he my own fist shaking determination and resolve. Which was nation and resolve. Which was now that I had to escape or die. For even if I were to glading to keep affoat in a sea of face on that box to the millions of eyes, I knew that my uncensored two or three cents
not going to be heard in
America. Where some strange worth in their ears would have worth in their ears would have ghost seemed to arise and them jumping in their cars chase us. And point a finger. and heading to the studio to Because we were traitors to stomp and strangle me. But the wonderful happy way of then, I was getting what writers American life. And this never really want to accept that they thrive on. Obscurity and rejection. And this is what America gives in abundance. However, with my energy spent, and my vengeance sworn with the words I wrote, I now knew that a lyric voice in he subways, buses faces in the subways fa I now knew that a lyric voice had ever spent. Even my could not be heard unless father, weaker in his years and heralded coast to coast by a perhaps dimmer in his belief throbbing promotional media campaign. And that that country, be it the home of my I now knew that a lyric voice campaign. And that that country, be it the home of my birth and where I grew up, was not about to give it to me.

And if I stayed, they would, without even trying, or know
without even trying, or know
country, be it the home of my Where, over orange juice, pots of coffee and frying sausage meat in the kitchen, my younger brother T.J., convalence or the convalence of without even trying, or know-

desperate anxiety to only a ticket no catch the Europe thought was because of his boat. Even popping mickels and pennies, one by one into a cigar box atop my dresser. My first wife and child Philip had already flown. And in that wind of Gainor's whereabouts. white old house on a hill in In this tiny cut off community the Bronx I pulled the shades of Woodlawn in this most down to the sill so that no one northern uttermost Bronx. And down to the sill so that no one could draw a bead and shoot me before I got out. When I what he was sure was absolucould muster the confidence, I tely secure rural harmony with walked in the cemetery of Her-sympathetic friends in Woodwalked in the cemetry of herman Melville. And met Gainor
Stephen Crist there in the
wintry snow between the mausoleums. He approved the set1953, which began:

ting but mildly objected to the was saying no to this land, inconvenience. But at least he agreed that in there, sitting on the marble steps up to the parents did, to be trapped sepulchres of the rich or of trembling and terrified in a some robber baron's tomb, we were in peace and safery. comfort myself with the reas- Albeit a hell of a lot poorer vived before me other writers entombed so splendidly dead. on this massive continent, I And now with the myth of paid a visit, on my return to America as the place you Slowly, but even more

explode. On a drunken Greenof glass as I missed something his own brooding, pessimistic taxi driver drove me free of tal. And I remembered a previous taxi trip in Europe when, the driver demanded paid. And my brother I. J. who played his haunting Kno-bly Wood Concerto simulbrother ' taneously on two pianos wakthat not many, if any, previous ing me at 3 am, had nearly feet had come to read some been stabbed to death by a heartfelt words Melville may pair of aggrieved hispanics leave, tried to kill him for the slight. Daily I went on a pilgrimage to Bellvue Hospital, that massive pile of wards, corridors and morgue by a grey cold East River. Where my brother lay hourly hanging on by a thread of life. My voice heavy faithers and the control of life. United States, supplied the only distractions I got. And even he, a far better survivor would ever make it.

spectre was everywhere. On the ceaseless groaning moaning highways. Written on the ing, kill me.

I saved my dollars and dimes in dribs and drabs in desperate anxiety to buy a he did not sell one. Which he threats suddenly got closer, deciding him to retreat to

wich Village spree with Gainor Crist I had badly cut my wrist putting my fist through a pane I was trying to hit. A kindly charge to St Vincent's Hospiwith me in my death throes, downtown. Who after he had taken them to a party and his hostess had asked them all to becoming fainter coming out of my throat. And Gainor Stephen Crist in his own ridi-

> "My dear Mike, My God!! shortly there came, with the middle of a continuing at 2 am a head-on col-He related a story, which even I, who had always been of the opinion that he was more than mildly lacking in certain discretions and unbeeding of clearly impending pit-falls, thought he did not deserve. He had, in sandals in a snow storm, begun by hinth-hiking from the George Wash-ington Bridge. And got picked up three successive times by three successive and persis-tently aggressive homosexuals. To whom he kindly explained that his life was already no To whom he kindly explained that his life was already 100 complicated for him to do justice to or encourage their advances. And would they please just let him out in the snow storm again. His letter ended with "May B.O.P. intercade for us all.". These initials stood for the Blessed Oliver Plunkett, Ireland's martyred Bishop of Armagh of Cromwell's time, who now, as a result of such intercessions has by the power of Christ and by the power of Christ and Rome, been made a saint. Gainor had, among other unfortunate things, been at the

Without a driving licence
Gainor Crist had been arrested
and stood trial at 4 am, before
a pyjamad Justice of the Peace in that gentleman's cellar. He was humanely only fined but having no money, the reluctant Judge was compelled to imprison him in Kingston Jail. His knees as a result of the acci-dent were swollen up like footdent were swollen up like foot-balls. Late the next day, his hostess with whom he was staying paid his fine. He returned with her where they both decided they needed a good stiff drink. Gainor sat in his sofa chair with the bottle next to him. His hostess crossed the sittingroom floor ro get some ice. Halfway there she disappeared from sight. to get some ice. Halfway there she disappeared from sight. For the first time in his kindly gentlemanly life, although he did however reserve moments for administering violent instant justice, he did not instantly leap to aid a female surely gone somewhere in distress and certainly out of sight. But instead Gainor uncorked the whisky bottle and wheel of a borrowed car on an corked the whisky bottle and empty road while rescuing a lifted it to his lips. And in one lost lesbian. And forgetting long Dublin gargle swigged what country he was in, drove not the left Irish English side. A marvellous custom those two then blessed himself with the races retain in common. And

shortly there came, with the first other car to approach in the middle of a continuing blizzard at 3 am, a head-on collision.

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When hobbling to investible bring cast off ultimately was, particularly with ladies, he found himself the vessel midstream. And the staring down the pier With the start of the starting down the pier with t ultimately was, particularly with ladies, he found himself staring down into a black chill abyss. His hostess had fallen through a trap door under a rug on the floor and plunged fifteen feet down into a cellar where she badly sprained one and broke her other ankle. tive moment to express words again, they came to my ears from his very heart

"Mike, pray God I may escape this bloody place before further disaster overtakes me. I must get out of here before I wind up in an asylum for the insane."

And so on a cold 3 o'clock afternoon in February some afternoon in February some twenty-five years ago, hysterically muse and with the western setting sun bleakly blazing a red tint across Hoboken, I stood on the stern of a ship ready to set sail for Europe. The pink lights glinting on the thousands of stacked-up skystramer windows of Manharan thousands of stacked-up skys-craper windows of Manhattan Island. The Hudson grey, dark and cold. Fleeing this nation on the back of the good ship Franconia and on one of that vessel's very last journeys. Leaving this land that was in its culturally commercial way, conquering the entire earth.

then I heard Crist. Racing and pounding down the pier. With his paper bag, and a wicker basket covered gallon of chianti. He was shouring as they drew up the gangway and he jumped the last couple of feet. Together we watched the New York skyline disappear in a winter's gathering afternoon mist. My voice gone. I wrote on the shio's stationery for my on the ship's stationery for my Stalwart companion, Gainor Stephen Crist words that have gone through my mind on my every visit to the United States since.

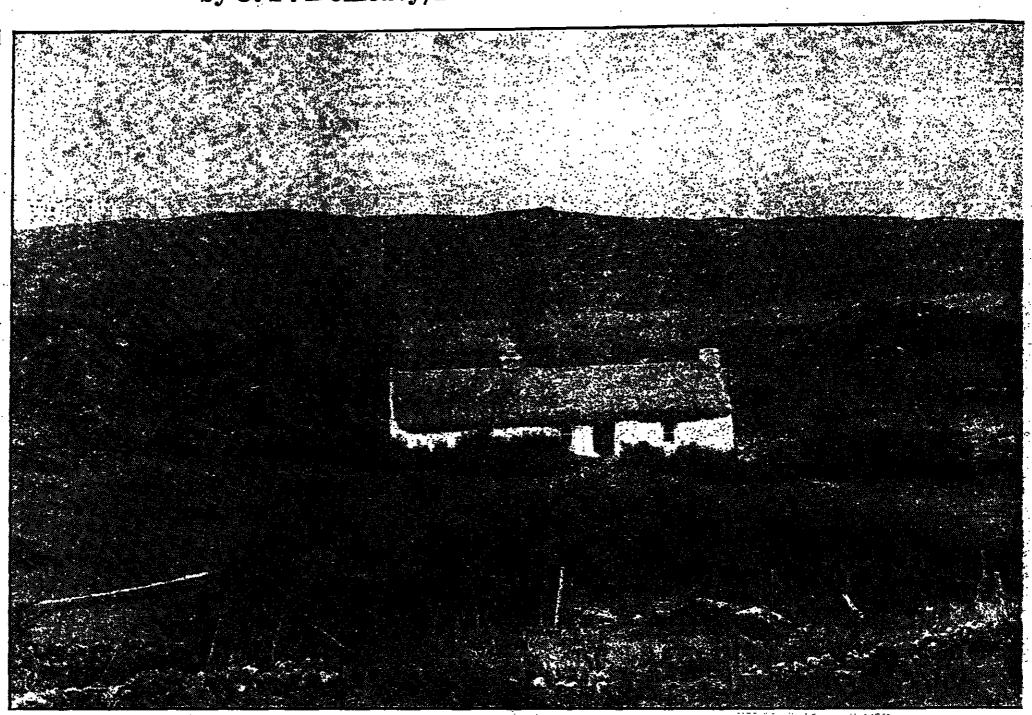
"There it goes, a runaway horse, with no one in control." I had spent my most solitary I had spent my most solitary Christmas eve ever, in the front bedroom of my Bronx childhood home, listening to the choir of King's College, Cambridge. Heartly homesick for some gorse and heather covered piece of land I hoped would await my return somewhere in Europe, somewhere in Ireland. With all the latter's sanitary shortcomings, And

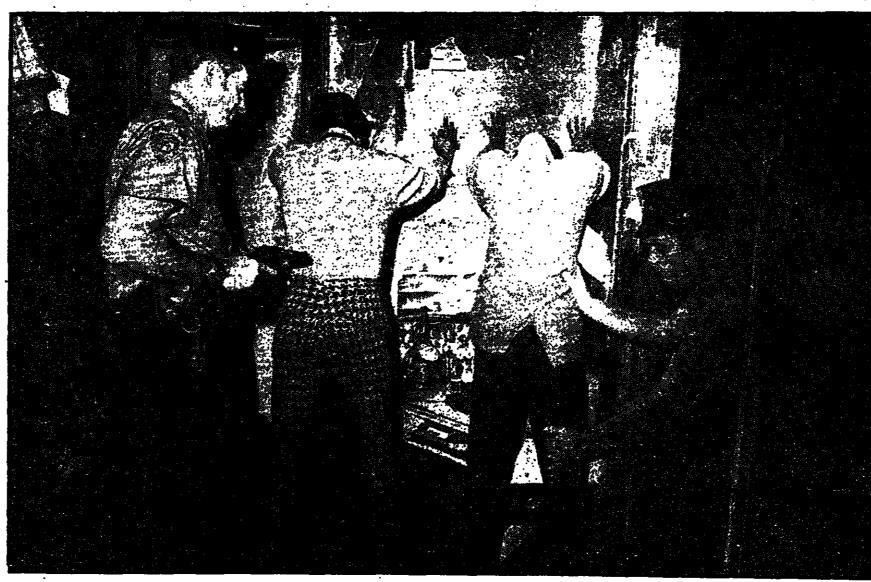
things, two child's cowboy suits this roaring vehicle into for his daughters in Europe, a stacked up windows of sweater, corkscrew, piece of Bronx until it plunged cheese, length of rope, and an ward past the Yankea Staran Islander's har This leave Aran Islander's hat. This last a and let me off walking to navy blue thick woolly head the sunlight of the down navy blue thick woolly head covering with a tassel which he wore on his interborough rapid transit journeys going nowhere from last stop to last stop. And one wondered, what did not America have for us. It could have been as simple a thing as that bushel of dollars we always dreamed was there. But even though one could have taken fistfuls of that mullah and celebrarorily the New York. Athletic C have taken fistfuls of that mullah and celebratorily thrown it up to come down again in a soothing shower from the sky, one somehow felt that with no kindred spirits like our own ready to speak and say, "This place stinks". That money alone would never be enough. Even though money is always enough. And yet if there were voices of dissent and if they did dare speak. One could have said, "This place really stinks".

Yet, in my first months in New York I had my marvel seventh street. And wh lous long walks. When my sanitary shortcomings. And Gainor Crist had spent his last days sleeping on the subways. Carrying with him his trusty immigrant's brown paper bag. Which contained among other

ward past the Yankee St and let me off walking n Late afternoon I'd rett the New York Athletic C tall greystone tower overing Central Park, to wor in the gym, followed b. boxing room. Where talked to the resident p boxing instructor, who much more for my hope contentment than he di my left and right hooks would, when I said I painted some pictures, me next day with introduto the best galleries on said I was instead now was novel, he had ready the afternoon further introdu to publishers and potential processing the processing of the to publishers and Pextant in the Book of Month Club. And as mu

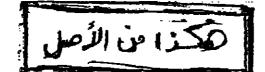
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Above: Ireland, with its heather and gorse and all its sanitary shortcomings.

Left: New York, where the elderly move in terror through the streets hoping to get back to their lock enfettered doors alive with their groceries



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where else in America, I ember this room. Peopled was then, and in the before I went to Europe, Admirals, a prep school id. Thomas Gill, film stars. ier mayors, present judges local city eccentrics. It an oasis where I could ppear behind my whitring ping rope and pounding ng gloves and run swim later read. And even trade al fisticults with the then modore Manning and ange pleasantries with modore Baylis. And then y evening sometimes to go with a childhood friend Duffy down Thompson et who was also fighting own battles, perhaps even ier than my own, as a g American composer and of the few who did not k me strange or changed. her, Richard Gallagher. of the few old friends who come to visit me on my ded return from Europe. to whom America had

i little as he grew up. So r expecting much, as per-I did, America gave him than it gives most of us. he now and long has ed as a New York philosoof many profound find-gleaned in his Kojak job police: lieutenant in comattan homicide. And men I think, must have ned something I had lost prope, which enabled them ay and fight and live And

were and still are rica.

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at night you think you sirens across

and you do hear, the dis-screams of victims and criminal nation. Ah but but then, it practically is, a free country. Where y seems too elegant to heat or commit larceny. vou for negligence comin an act of mercy. someone can be killed in gument over who disco-America. Or a Prince of sident smashed dead who hing else, made America r to the rest of the world like a phoenix from the ashes and ethnic hates ashes and ethnic hates whine in a splendour it of long years and it has not known and it has not known the long years are over these years and the lion bout of this spilt where now the honest is more than mouselike the lion boud deceit. And you a free hamburger behind his counter even a he also knows he will a defeat the lion bout the lion bout deceit.

n he also knows he will ed for it. And men like grow little gardens of in some still desperate unquestionably it is, but perhaps at certain and in certain times, a y corrosive of the spirit. merica, you find how you are and how disyou impress against the ess and power of this y where you are so sly, and with millions ourself, so totally fatally lable. And as you wake the throbbing airways oaring cars, you wonder will it ever be solemn, and calm. Where no one matters further than at eaceful moment. Where ae who has his constitudoes, will step aside ay excuse me. Where ars can hear a telephone without the garbage grinding in a giant hul-) down the street. And mebody is going to wake ne morning in that wide land and say stop, don't le things. Let me for sake have my breakfast ce. And give my wife a darn and a fist in the stead of the new dress ants from I Magnin's. naybe then when he's us damn noisy kid to up and be thankful he skate board, he himself e a good gentle honest Even though, as you know, that it is a country an't beat. It only beats and gets plenty of prac-

two hundred years.

Donleavy, 1977.

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The Act II 'study' of Otello

The glory that remains

Otello/II barbiere di Siviglia

La Scala, Milan

John Higgins

Not only football managers suffer through having to make ream changes. Opera houses are afflicted by the same problem. For Franco Zeffirelli's new production of Otello, which opened La Scala's season last month, Milan had assembled probably the best cast in the past decade for Verdi's opera. It is not easy to improve on Domingo, Freni and Cappuccilli for the three leading roles. Claudio Abbado, the theatre's ex-musical director, is still in process of peaching up his differences with Milan, but Carlos Kleiber, whose conducting of Otello is week all had gone, Domingo

is preparing a recording of L'elisir d'amore. Freni and Cappuccilli were already in the middle of making Simon Boccanegra for Deutsche Grammophon (I hope to write about this later) and felt that days in the studios could not be followed by nights at the opera, Kleiber

At least Franco Zeffirelli's highly distinguished production remained. It shows the world gradually closing in on Otello. At first there is the triumph and the open quayside, the bustle and the glory. "Una vela . . . un vessillo ! ", not one sail and one ship but the spars and rigging of a whole navy gradually fill the back of the stage. The prosperity of Cyprus is proclaimed by the sacks of merchandise and the dimensions justly acclaimed north of the make the point that this wealth Alps, was on hand, By last derives from the power of Venice. Zeffirelli as usual is

meticulous about his history. The unconventional aspect of almost imperceptibly moves in on Otello, much as the prison walls seal in Radames and Aida. Act II is no longer the groundand Bolto, but a gloomy study set about with trunks and packets of books and papers. As Milan I saw the first-night per-

the tragedy and emphasizing its far the best of last week's intimacy. I would guess that his second team was Carlo Cossuma the opening act is the timbered own designs, drawing heavily roof high up on the stage. It is on shades of brown and russet, Domingo's clarion voice nor his there throughout the opera and have been influenced by those new-found intensity, but he of Carlo Ferrario for the first gives the role strength and Scala production, which the pro- unity together with a vocal gramme thoughtfully reproduces. It is a notable profloor hall, specified by Verdi duction, scrupulous and inventive at the same time.

Happily, before leaving for in August Everding's Hamburg formance on video tape. Despite production, the outside world the disturbances inside and outis only a slit of bright, blue side La Scala, and despite tele-

in the title role. He has neither solidity that all too many suffering from a cold, came into her own in the last act and deserved her ovarion, but earlier in the opera seemed disinclined to give Desdemona much character. Silvano Carroli similarly .offered a big-voiced

Iago lacking guile and subtlety. And there is the difficulty with team changes. Zeffirelli's production had been carefully prepared with three principals: when they are all absent the staging inevitably sags a little. Giuseppe Patane in the pit did no more than hold together a makeshift side. The glory and strength of Carlos Kleiber's conducting, which someone should surely capture on record before

lead-loss may occur during its addition to the bronze melt,

the relative levels of the iso topes are immutable. Thus ratios, such as 208Pb/206Pb of 2.091, characterize not only

bronzework from the Etruscan centre of Verulonia (circa 550

BC) but also the available ore from nearby Campiglia Maritima which was further exploited a few centuries later

at mints in Rome some 100 km

distinct from those used by

perhaps more importantly, dis-

mines in Campiglia Maritrima currently being worked. The

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Stuart Fleming

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Renaissance metalworkers and

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year opera, II barbiere di Milan repertory for over five Scala's visit to London, is a years now, but Jean-Pierre notable chmedian and resisted Ponnelle's staging of Rossini still comes up fresh and quicksilver. It began life in Salzburg, Otellos lack. Margaret Price, and there, as here, Figaro begips the day by getting out of his hammock and shinning down a pole, barber's pole presumably, to the street. At dawn in Seville the blinds don't go up to let the day in and instead come down to keep the glaring sunshine out. But Ponnelle, should beware of pulling the same trick too often: Don Basilio's shadow grows and grows against the back of the stage during "La calunnia", just as Ford's did in the Glyndebourne Falstaff and Alidoro expanded in the Scala Cenerentola. Ponnelle should reserve his next shadow song for

> Dinorah. Fortunately Ruggero Raimondi was there as Don Basilio to disperse memories of repetitions. He stood literally head and shoulders above the rest of the cast, not the usual seedy music master but a figure of force beneath his grizzled hair. Raimondi's ebony voice can

La Scala's other turn-of-the- only command, and he emerged Siviglia, has been out of the Enzo Dara, familiar from La making Bartolo too decrepit a figure. Luigi Alva's Almaviva is now in the veteran class. The first-act serenades are pallid imitations of what they once were, yet Alva's sheer good humour and high spirits make up for the lack of tone. Replacements-more changes

> -made for a lightweight performance. Frederica von Stade was no longer the Rosina, and Hermann Prey, Ponnelle's original Figaro in Salzburg, had elso left. Elena Zilio was a pretty and neat-voiced ward. but with no touch of the viper. Augelo Romero, similarly goodlooking as Figaro, lacked the dash, energy and sheer expertise to make the wheels of Seville whizz round. The general blandness also rubbed off on Thomas Schippers, who conducted too easily. La Scala needs back Claudio Abbado, who brought such bite and vigour to this score. It seems likely that he will return next season as musical and artistic director.

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sky. Otello has already lost the vision sound, this was an open spaces of his victories evening of high distinction. "Ora e per sempre addio"). Mirella Freni's Desdemona has The blaze of light (actificial) grown and grown in power is reserved for the emissaries since she first sang it for of the Venetian Republic in the Karajan in Salzburg; Piero Cappuccilli's Iago under the following act. right conductor carries a for-In Salzburg Karajan emphamidable dose of poison; and of the warehouses on the water- sized the isolation of Desde-Placido Domingo's Otello now front, while the unfurled flags mona by placing her in the has no rivals. middle of a vast empty sala. At La Scala Zeffirelli reverses Accept no substitutes. But on occasions it has to be done. By long, had vanished. the process by focusing in on

Collecting •

Forged in bronze

Bronzes pose a peculiar problem within the general field of art authentication. Several, such as the Poseidon of Artemis and the Youth of Anticythera in Athens, command a reverence normally reserved for paintings by Vermeer and da Vinci. Yet nearly all lock authorship (as an exception, only the Athena of Cephiso-dotos, springs to mind) and share with porcelain and pottery a lack of the recognized art marker "safety-valve", a sound archaeological provenence. It is scarcely surpris-ing then that this relatively inexpensive copper/tin alloy, the value of which can be boosted a thousand fold once

sculpted, has attracted more than its fair share of attention from forgers over the cen-Classical Greek bronze statuary has been a prime target in this respect since Roman times when the acquisitive Sulla gathered spoils of war and tribute indiscriminately to the envy of his weakhier but less adventurous colleagues. Once such collections became the most fashionable source of dinner conversation (part of a one upmanship game) they were forced to either dig deep into their pockets or accept imitations with antique imitations with arrique references that owed more to good wine than reality. And later, of course, in the initial stages of the Renaissance, antique course of the Renaissance, antique courses ique simulation was the essence of the bronze-caster's skill. (Then, in contrast to spurious signature-addition spurious signature-add. Tun that has always been so prevalent among paintings we have bronzes such as Bertoldo's Lellerophon, losing attribution

under a strategically-placed wax-coating (). Similarly for the two centuries prior to systematic excavations that accompanied Napoleon's accompanied assault on Egypt in 1798, exci-. tement created by travellers memoirs and by the mystery of chance to shove his hieroglyphs encouraged abuse in your ribs, as he con- of Egyptian antiquities. Perhaps most bizarre was a pair of brouze plates which Frederic I of Hesse purchased, their relief only being explicable as imitation of a plate in B de Montfaucon's Antiquite expliquee (1719).

embossed strip and storage-case combined Meanwhile, in China chance discovery of archaic bronzes in the reign of Huang-yu (circa AD 1050) of the Sung Dynasty prompted a collecting fashion with major implications. The Imperial Treasury put high value on ancient pieces so we can imagine that some resourceful gentry, ever anxious to ingrariate themselves with the Emperor, either sent their underlings out into the countryside to rob any tombs they could trace or saved everyone's the burial media. Oxidation legwork by commissioning imitations of vessels already illusphous red cuprite; chloride

trated in catalogues such as K'ao-ku-t'u (circa AD 1092) and the larger, but spuriously-bol-stered, Po-ku-t'u (circa AD

The story of magistrate Wu

Chueh indicates the mood of the times. During provincial administration for Hsüsen-ho (circa AD 1120) he often set aside court sentences in return for "gifts" of archaic vessels, to ultimately retire well-endowed with 50 bronzes in store. At the same time though we have no way of knowing if criminals due for trial recog-nized the old gentleman's pre-difiction and catered for it by purchase of fakes, in advance! ln our own times several market factors have boosted bronze forgery afresh. In Nigeria strict export controls have led to the development of complex smuggling routes across the African hinterland to move the few chance finds of ploughing and mining that supplement the principal Benin corpus looted by the Punitive Expedition of 1897 (see Saturday Review, August 21): duly those routes have been infiltrated by forgery-marketeers, in Tehern Trade flourishes in Teheran, trade flourishes in Luristan brouzes (particularly horse-trappings) the originals coming to the city via peasants working in the Iranian plains beneath the Zagras mountains, the fakes being multiple after-casts of these finds. And in Cambodia, where the temple-plunder of American servicemen was, for a while, amply bolstered by local modern wares, the quality of fake has steadily risen to counteract initial rejection by European outlets. All these tactics are

designed to search out the art expert's watershed of tolerance and his sensitivity to minor anachronisms. The financial implications of these activities are enormous. An unpretentious seventeenthcentury Benin armlet can fetch £3,000 with ease: a nineteenth-century belt-mask, with all its obvious stylistic inferiority to its sixteenth-century equivalent, still commands about £1,500. A genuine but fragmented seventeenth-century That head of Buddha may fetch £2,000: one a few centuries earlier, appreciably ore identifiers, arsenic and more. And Iranian pieces that antimony, are volatile and tend might have been sold as part to be lost in the ore-to-metal of a mixed lot for £100 or so a smelting and melting sub-

decade ago, now fetch that price individually. Fakes injected into these levels of the market must yield a turnover approaching fim per annum. From a scientific standpoint, attack on the forger is multipronged. It starts with study of patination, the corrosion products that form on the metal's surface as it is attacked by active agents in the aumosphere or in water percolaring

brilliant green atacamite; sulphur attack produces the pur-ple tinge of bornite. Secondary reactions lead to the carbonate formation of green malachite or blue azurice.

Patination is a metal-ageing effect and so it is correctly regarded as evidence of bronze antiquity. But forgers know that too, whereupon patination-simulation has become highly-skilled practice nowa-days, the degree of ingenuity seemingly geared to the gulli-bility of the likely market. Least ambitious is the glueingon of ground-up artificial pigments, such as emerald green or prussian blue, as simple microchemical tests (for arsenic and iron, respectively) can promptly distinguish these compounds from natural car-bonates. Alternatively, pale pink fluorescence under an ultra-violet lamp will indicate that a resin vehicle was used in the spurious coatings.

Far more convincing are the various "picking" processes used to accelerate corrosion growth. Vasari, in his Lives of the Artists of 1550, supported oil blackening or vinegar sprin-kling for small castings while Vico recommended similar methods to the schools of classical coinage imitators that flourished in the mid-sixteenth century. But neither are effective as current techniques of dung-burial or exposure to fermenting grape-juice. Only the lack of gradation in corrosion penetration gives a hint of these treatments. It is only when metalkurgical sectioning reveals intergranular corrosion (selective build-up of cuprite along individual metal grain boundaries) do we have a really convincing authenticity criterion in the midst of this

The oft-quoted alternative of study, composition analysts, is similarly quite weak in many departments. Its ideal is a reasonable one: to use trace ins-purities in the alloy as "fingerprints" of the ores from which it was derived, thereby defining the piece's provenance. But ideal and reality soon part once it is recognized that prime contenders as ore identifiers, arsenic and stages: alternatives such as nickel, cobak and silver are stable, but technical problems of accurate analysis soon creep in, as their concentrations rarely exceed 0.1 per cent. Low levels of iron, of about 0.2 per cent, are ubiquitous and lead, while possibly serving as an indicator of Roman pla-giarism of pre-Hellenistic giarism of pre-Hellenistic Greek prototypes, could otherwise scarcely distinguish the

first millermium BC onwards.

Only the gross technological ciple applies whether the core change, bronze to brass (wherein the new alkoy in-cludes zinc at concentrations in excess of 15 per cent) has is of the black friable type characteristic of SE Asian, Nepalese and Indian bronzes (as that is a mixture of charany major force as an authencoal fragments and quartz). or ticity tool. Each civilization in-troduced this change at some point: the Romans, in the mid-first century AD (when zinc-rich scrap coinage slipped into the melt): the Kashmiri and of the compact type used in China which was derived from the local, mineral-rich loess earth that bounds the course of the Yellow river. Secondly, there is the poten becondry, there is the potentially powerful principle of Lead isotope analysis. Each lead ore can be fingerprinted by the concentrations of the isotopes 2014b, 2064b, 2074b, and 2084b, present in it, and while in absolute terms some lead less may recent during its Indus Valley dwellers, in

seventh century AD: the Cola of South India and the Javanese, Cambodians and Thal only as late as the fifteenth century AD. In Nigeria the twelfth century brass-casters of Ife had no recognized forerun-ners but their craft development almost certainly coincides with a growth of contact with Europe, zinc ores moving by sea out of Venice and then onward from North Africa by caravan. Their pupils in Benin subsequently imported scrap metal and augmented their stock with local copper. The scientific scene may seem rather gloomy, so let me

brighten it in two ways. First, bronzes can be dated by thermoluminescence, not of the metal itself but of the ceramic-like casting-cores that most larger castings contain. Fired crystalline minerals included in that core (as strengthening "grog") act as a nuclear clock throughout antiquity storing energy released by trace levels of natural radiation in the core fabric itself and in its environs. A fake's stored energy is then only a fraction of its genuine counterpart. Heating of these minerals to about 500°C in the laboratory

The author works at the today causes energy release as a light signal, the intensity of Research Laboratory for which is proportional to the Archaeology and the Bistory of bronze's age. This dating prin- Art at Oxford University.



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Production Record

Radio

On his retirement at the end of radio play was touched with last month, Martin Esslin leaves one of radio's unique domains who heard them that they were

"Unique domain" is perhaps no longer perfectly correct: there have been little stabs at drama here and there outside the mantle of the Department and some of them have been more than creditable. But it still remains that all radio drama worth the name has been, is and seems likely to continue the province of the BBC, and of that 99 per cent has been in Mr Esslin's charge. It has been an enormous and, to the our-sider, bewildering responsibility -ranging as it does from the most domestic of Afternoon Theatres, over every age and country, to the latest cryptic utterance of Beckett. It requires the helder of it to exercise a sympathy for what is well, or at last compatently done in many sympathy to what is well, or an least competently, done in many styles and on many different levels; to set aside personal dislikes in favour of his colleagues' enthusiasms; to raise and maintain the standards of the everyday in writing and production while bringing in and gaining acceptance for what

There can be very little doubt that this responsibility has been discharged both assiduously and with distinction: since I began listening to it, the stan-dard of routine radio drama has risen out of recognition.
The number of new plays each week, week after week, makes it certain that there will be some duffers and accordingly there are, but it is the general rule that your ordinary radio play is better conceived, better written, better produced and better acted than it was when Martin Feelin come as proving better acted them it was when Martin Esslin came to power. As to the higher flights of radio drama, the repertoire is certainly as wide and as interesting as it has ever been: the variety and the quality of work offered by radio within any one year must surely be without parallel; and the novelty as well—the proportion of new work is very large. Yet if I had to suggest to Ronald Mason things requiring his attention, it is to this top end of the spectrum I would point: one might complain that when asked about its record of innovation, the name Harold Pinter vation, the name Harold Pinter value, the name hardin rinter still surings too easily to radio drama's lips. And then there is the question, identified by Neil Hepburn in this week's Listener, of the missing ingre-Like Mr Hepburn, I have some difficulty in stating exactly what that incredient is estimated it is not entirely missing, but rather very rare.

The need for being rare arises partly from the fact that what we see as evidence of a Golden Age of radio tells us almost nothing of what the medium was really like. The Dark Tower, The Streets of Pompeli, the Epic of Gilgamesh are the survivors and it is

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those days even the humblest

last month, Martin Esslin leaves one of radio's unique domains in robust shape and his successor, Ronald Mason, will never out of hours and hours of dross be able to complain of what he has inherited. May they both not tolerate today. One must be wary also because of the ease largest into the with which one lapses into the habit of Gilbert's idiox " praises in enthusiastic tones all centuries but this It is in fact extremely difficult to see what is excellent while it is actually happening simply because at that moment it is always thin on the ground. Unavoidably the bulk of what you and I hear in the course of a year will be average, pretty un-remarkable; this seems to be the Drama output's norm. By contrast on my bookshelves are several collections of radio plays, almost all of them exceptional. Faced with this concentional tration in space of so much merit, one tends to assume a similar concentration in time, but that was not the way it was at all

Looked at with this in mind, how has the Esslin regime performed? Reviewing the last twelve months, I can immediately light upon three works which seem to me to occupy the imaginative territory which was the kingdom of MacNeice or of Giles Cooper in his Mathry Beacon vein. They are: The Hunter Gracchus (one of Mr Esslin's own fine productions); My Name is Bird McKai and L'Italien de la rue de Cloys. Perhaps that's not a bad collec-L'Italien de la rue de Cloys. Perhaps that's not a bad collection for a single year. But having said that, let me cut the ground away by mentioning that of these three two were American and the last was French. British radio may still be interested in work which moves into the depth of the imagination; British radio writers may be not. Wary as I try to be, I cannot conceal a view that the cannot conceal a view that the very best of radio now does not equal the very best that was. Why should this be? One can plead seduction by television and all that kind of
thing and no doubt that has
played its part. I am also
reminded of a remark
MacNeice made in his intro-

MacNeice made in his intro-ductory note to The Dark Tower: "In an age which pre-cludes the simple and militant faith of a Bunyan, belief (whether consciously formul-ated or not) still remains a sine qua non of the creative writer. I have my beliefs and the ypermeate Thet Dark Tower". Does that get us, any-where? The beliefs in that play were expressed in the evocation of a world like the one we inof a world like the one we in-habit but not the same, a world in which there is something vey important to be done by preparation and effort and trial. preparation and effort and trial. Compare this with Bird McKai: the theme may seem to be the same, but in place of preparation, effort, trial, we are given the magician, the Indian in the desert and enlightenment by dope. The shift is one in keeping with the times; to me it represents a certain measure of represents a certain measure of enfeeblement. Can radio drama, I wonder, be stronger than the world in which it lives.

David Wade

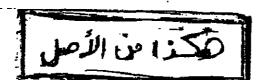
Westward

Sunday

A new look for Sunday starts with the epic £3 million serial Moses— Lawgiver (ITV 7.0) with Burt Lancaster in the key role, Holding On (ITV 10.0) is a six-part serial about East End life at the turn of the century, Doctor on the Go (ITV 8.0) begins a fresh run of fun in hospital. Eric Porter stars in a new production of Rattigan's The Winslow Boy (BBC1 8.15),-T.S.

BBC 1

9.00 am, Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan.
9.30, Bagpuss. 9.45, The Sunday
Gang. 10.10, Illustrated Economics. 10.35, Zarabanda. 11,00, Worktalk. 11.25, Trade Union Studies.
11.50, Sunday Worship from Llantwit Major Parish Church, Vale of
Glamorgan. 12.10 pm, Your Move.
12.35, The 60 70 80 Show. 1.00,
Farming. 1.25, Other People's
Children. 1.38, An ABC of Music.
1.50, News Headlines. 1.55, Film:
Mandy, with Jack Hawkins, Phyllis
Calvert, Terence Morgan, Godfrey
Tearle, Mandy Miller. 3.25, Barney
Bear. 2.40, Sleeping Beauty on Ice,
from Empire Pool, Wembley. 4.30,
Anne of Avonlea. 5.25, Holiday.
5.55 News.
6.95 On the Move.
6.15 Anno Domini Interview:
Helen Suzman.
6.45 Songs of Praise.
7.25 Wings.
8.15 Play: The Winslow Boy, by
Terence Rattigan.
10.10 News.
10.20 That's Life. BBC 2 BBC 1 London Weekend 9.30 am, Early Musical Ir ments. 10.00, Morning Wor 10.30, The Boy From Naza 11.00, Star Maidens. 11.30, Food Factory. 12.00, Wet World. 1.05, London Wet Show. 1.45, The Protectors 2.15, The Big March. 3.15, 1 Passage Home with Diane Cil Peter Finch.* (1956). 5.05, Ghosts of Morley Hall. 5.35, Niven's World. 12.40-1.05 pm, Open University: Teaching at a Distance. 5.00 Rugby: Wales v Ireland and England v. Scotland. 6.50 News Review 7.25 The World About Us: Yellow Trail from Texas. 8.15 The Lively Arts: Theatre music of Henry Purcell. 9.15 News. 6.05 News. 9.20 People to People, from 6.15 Opinion. 6.25 Stars on Sunday. 10.10 The Mammoth in the Ice, 10.10 The mannion ...
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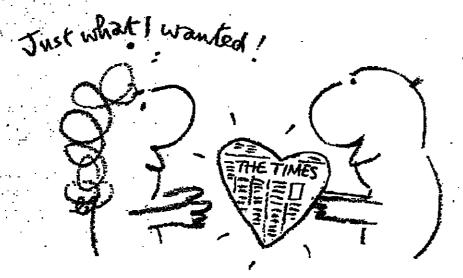
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The great survivor

When Sir John Mills opens at the Apollo on Monday opposite Jill Bennett in the first major London revival of Rattigan's Separate Tables, it will be almost half a century since he made his professional stage debut in the chorus of a Hippodrome revue called Five O'Clock Girl. More surprisingly still (since he is in a remarkably good state of repair and looks somewhere in his middle 50s) he will in fact be 70 next year. The survivor of more British war pictures than any other actor with the possible exception of Sir Richard Attenborough, Mills is also of course an Oscar-winner (for a remarkable deaf-mute performance in David Lean's Ryan's Daughter) and a graduate of Tyrone Guthrie's immediately pre-war Old Vic. Given that range of work, it seems curious that Mills

gan play in England until now:
"I suppose it does, though of course I did play his Ross in New York and we've been friends for years—ever since 1944 when Asquith sent me Terry's script for The Way to the Stars. It weighed a ton, and just looking at it I knew the film would run about five hours, so I took the script away with me for a long weekend and pencilled in some cuts and to change from character to usually be dealt with." then went nervously to a meet character, and then we go back ing with Terry at which I disinto the same stage world but hasn't dealt with in half a cencovered he'd made exactly the as other people: still, if it tury of playing in the good, the same cuts himself. He was very works, I can't think of a more bad and the indifferent on stage young, then, and very Ascot: rewarding show to do. It's no and screen. Born in Suffolk in a marvellous host at parties, and we stayed friends across theatre: Olivier taught me that taste of showbusiness at Ciro's the years. Now, sadly, he's been very ill, although he still hopes to defy the doctors in Bermuda when I was going to do Ross nightclub where his sister on Broadway after a long Annette (later to become absence in films. He said I was famous to the first generation (where he lives) and come to London to see us if we're a to go to the theatre early on the of BBC tele-children as the first night, before the audience partner of Muffin the Mule) arrived, and stand on the empty had an exhibition dancing act: stage and say "I am the "She hired me a dinner

should never have done a Ratti-

The present revival was Mills's idea and it's the first time the two plays that make up Separate Tables will have been seen in London since 1954 when they were at the St James's with Eric Portman and Margarer Leighton. At that time, Typan noted that Rattigan was the Formosa of the postwar theatre ("occupied by the old guard but geographically inclined towards the progressives"), and the plays won wide critical acclaim not only for the central performances but also for the intricacy with which they were put together. For both plays the setting and characters remain the same, except that the two leading actors take on new identities musical comedies before the war. No, the fear is of the memory going, of just forgetting a line somewhere and not being the substitute of Fred Astaire and the substitute of the ballaika while is an an another than the ballaika while is an another than the ball at the interval; the strain on them, Mills points out, is thus considerably greater than in the normal all-change situation of other double bills:

The Skin of Our Teeth

Arriving in Manchester two and

a quarter hours late thanks to

Royal Exchange,

Manchester

Irving Wardle

Another Bouquet

London Weekend

Michael Church

One evening last year I had the good fortune/misfortune inadvertently to tune in to the

second episode of Bouquet of Barbed Wire. The result was that all social engagements for the next five Fridays had to be fimed round subsequent instal-

ments. It's early days yet, but on the evidence of the first two

episodes of Another Bouquet

Andrea Newman, the author, looks as though she may repeat

What curious magic is it that

thus entraps sensation seekers like me? (And also, incident-

ally, brings out heaps of intel-lectual snobbishness from some

critics, while whipping others

into paroxysms of moral in-

dignation.) Set aside for a moment the fact that casting,

acting and direction are all ex-

cellent, and look instead at the

raw material: Miss Newman is,

in her unobtrusive way, a most

She has, at the most funda-

her original fear.

able to remember it; but once in a number of revues and then been better to conduct the chamber. Arriving at the Flood, piece than this comicstrip his the form of stereo speakers, tory of mankind. Wilder gener-ally played actuality games emit menacing growls and with his audiences: the prob-hisses, and calm down when with his audiences: the prob-lem with this play is that it is largely pegged to the actuality of 1942. How therefore, do you achieve actuality in a period piece? The Manchester version is no more successful than the

stage and say "I am the

nerves at all, until I actually

pitched squeal.

"It takes us all the interval you've isolated that fear it can

and you, ladies and gentlemen, the back to watch her dancing:

are very privileged to be here my mother had worked in the

tonight watching me". He said box-office at the Haymarket, but

then I'd feel a lot better about after she married my father (a felixstowe schoolmaster) she wasn't too keen on my soing

got on to the stage with the 17 I was apprenticed to a grain

audience in their seats and they guerchant and spent three years applauded, and that so as his clerk, which I hated. At frightened me that my first 20 I fled to London and Annette found me digs for 15

a line somewhere and not being Bobbie Howes, Mills got work

lines came out in a kind of high-

There's not much that Mills

wasn't too keen on my going into the theatre. So when I was

What one misses in the per-

and seeing them in contrasted

attitudes of strength and weakness. Mr Montague comes on

ness, Mr Montague comes on strong as a middle-American Rotarian, but not as the inventor of the alphabet and the wheel. Nor does Olive McFarland, as his wife addressing the Mammals' Convention with notes on the edibility of the

tomato, achieve the leap from stereotype to archetype. This stereotype to archetype. This jump is achieved by Michael Feast as the Cain-like son, who

has precisely mastered the tech-nique of dropping from myth into domestic banality; and

whose performance crackles with electric danger. I was not so happy about Marsha Hunt's Sabina. It was a good idea to

pinch the white temptress tradition of Vivien Leigh and Millicent Martin: but not at the expense of converting Sabina

from the eternal mistress into an everlasting au pair girl.

secretary, who had herself be-gun to grow bored with her in-creasingly proprietary young husband. Manson's wife, mean-

while, made a bid to oust her son-in-law's new girl friend.

a quarter hours late thanks to British Rail (Buston return now £27), I was in time to find Thornton Wilder's Antrobus family coping with the ice-age. There, centred on the parquet stage floor, was an obviously stone-cold coke stove, surrounded by the cast shivering in army blankets, surrounded by a snugly upholstered audience. Clearly, nobody was going to freeze to death: equally. Chichester revival of a few years ago in answering that question We get Wilder's text with tentative modifications, so that the family of the all-American homo sapiens have their doings covered by the BBC, and ailing members of the company are to freeze to death: equally, when Mr Antrobus (Lee Monrushed to Salford Infirmary.
From this point of view the setting is a liability. If a show is to go through the motions of honesty in such an environment, tague) threatens to put out the non-existent fire, you can feel the chill in your bones.

In this kind of episode the it really does have to be honest.
So far as stage effects are
concerned, the production benefits from being codirected by a
designer. It is most sensuously
lit, as in the melting of the ice Royal Exchange is a dream set-ting for Wilder's brand of theatrical make-believe. And James Maxwell's and Richard Negri's production pays full respect to his belief (very rare respect to his belief (very rare age into the sweltering beach a playwright) that the stage of Atlantic City: and the air reverberates with passing aircraft, crashing waves, and dying voices that exploit the surrounding hall as a vast echo in a playwright) that the stage would be revived through new erchitecture rather than new

mental level, a crystal ball penetration as to what we are really like. She senses the power of our daydreams, the strength of our determination to get what we want. More important, she recognizes the inevitability of destructive behaviour when desire is thwarted, or when its fulfilment fails to satisfy.

Her concern is with the dis-order perpetually lurking be-neath the surface of family life —and with the externalization of that disorder. Not for her the bland cycle of incidental ups and downs which characterizes most television soap opera, nor the sterile verbal games of Harold Pinter. Her merry-goround of delinquent sexuality may indeed spin at dizzy speed, but surely all drama is a distillate, and Peter Manson and his family are in any case entirely convincing as a nuclear group who, after decades of quiescent "normality", erupt in a man-ner surprising even to them-

Last night events moved par-ticularly fast. The urbane Manson waxed uxorious, and simultaneously began to pick up the old illicit threads with his exDaughter Prue, though dead, remained omnipresent, exerting baleful power through her baby on whom, in a mysterious and cleverly contrived way, each character's happiness was made to depend to depend. John Frankau's direction relied—to employ an appropriate pun—on carefully orchestrated climaxes, and it was at times richly allusive; words and ges-tures implied their own interpretation. A glance ex-changed between Frank Finlay and Deborah Grant told us what

friends ". When Elizabeth Romilly leaned over the baby's cot, ostensibly all solicitude, the camera talked of murder.

meant when he said

Yet another bouquet, then, for the above-mentioned actors, as well as to Sheila Allen, James Aubrey and Eric Carte, and a big posthumous one to Susan Penhaligon, who can now only loom up through the credit sequence. Hang on, all of you, and keep it up.

RPO/Talmi/ Weissenberg Albert Hall

original dramatist.

cold; this young Israeli conductor, a prizewinner in the Rupert Foundation's Conductors' Competition in 1973, bowed to more empty seats than full

for, despite too much yielding in second-subject territory. Mr Takni had shown considerable respect for the breadth of the first movement, besides lavish-

Joan Chassell

The C minor Symphony was first movements.

Mr Talmi's biggest test Nothing is harder to judge than tempo, or changing tempi, in the finale outing symphony orchestras from their usual planform, it might have been thought that a starved public would flock to Kensington's rotunda last night to hear the RPO play Brahms under Yoav Talmi. But the way was too far and the night too

Sheridan Morley

on a tour of Mr Cinders which took him to Singapore where, in 1929, he was seen by Noël Coward:

"I was in a troupe called The Quaints, and we'd been doing a different show each night all over the Far East; Mondays we'd do Hamlet.
Tuesdays Mr Cinders, Wednesdays Journey's End, and so
on. Anyway Noël was out there
having a holiday in Singapore and noticed a poster advertis-ing The Quaints in Hamlet, which he decided he had to which he decided he had to seen; only, as it happened, the man playing Harrlet was ill that night, so we did Mr Cinders and I played the lead and fell off my roller skates and broke my little finger, but it got a big laugh and after-wards Noël said if ever I got back to London he'd find something for me."

Coward found Mills Cochran's Words and then his own Words and Music and Cavalcade, and by that time Mills was more or less established was more or less established—
he was also the first person ever
to sing Coward's Mad Dogs and
Englishmen on the stage,
though by the London first
night Coward had decided to
give the song to an older if
not necessarily better singer.
From there Mills went into
musical comedy and then to musical comedy and then to play Puck at the Old Vic:

"I was supposed to go back a year later to play Hamlet and Hotspur, but by that time the war had come, and after I was invalided out I went into films and made more than 80 of them. Ryan's Daughter, the film which in 1971 gave Mills his greatest critical success since the immediately postwar days of such earlier David Lean classics as Great Expectations, happened for him largely by good being nervous in the February, 1908, he got his first accident:

"I was in Rome doing another film for tax reasons, one I'd rather not mention, and Lean and Bolt were there writing Ryan's Daughter, and we all had dinner together one night and Mary, my wife, told David it was disgraceful that he'd never employed me since greatest actor who ever lived, jacket and I used to slip in at we had those successes together in the Forties and David said there really wasn't anything in Ryan's Daughter for me; but then the next morning at eight he rang up and said how would I like to play a deaf mute and I thought lovely, no lines to learn, so that was that. Then when they came to give out the Oscars I was staying in Hollywood with my daughter Juliet wood with my daughter Juliet and we saw Maggie Smith, who was doing the prizegiving, break into a big broad patriotic smile pitched squeal.

"It's not that I'm frightened of failure, or of having things thrown at me on the stage, because that used to happen to me regularly—usually on Boat Race night when I was in the stage and the stage are night when I was in the stage are night when she opened the 'Supports when she opened

John Higgins writes about the new La Scala season on page 9.

Gallic elegance hey are picked up and fondled.

L'Ecole d'Orphée formance is the sense of welking round the eternal family Wigmore Hall

Stanley Sadie

Of the various baroque musical styles, possibly the least accessible is the French one at the end of the era. A style like the society that created it, it abounded in artificialities, circumlocutions and formal graces.

The young group at the Wig-more Hall last night, most English in spite of their name, have ready command of it. They use instruments of authentic period or pattern, and play them in a contemporary manner, from good texts, and beautifully in tune.

The ear takes a while to settle to their string sound, especially to vibratoless tone and the tendency for notes to bulge. I am not totally con-vinced that the latter is essential and correct but the music came across with expression and vitality.

Most of all, of course, the music by Couperin. French music of the period, as Couperin recognized, needed an injection of Italianiste spaciousness, energy, and counterpoint if it was to escape its dancebound was to escape its dancebound straitjacket. In his early Steinquerque sonata, according to a famous anecdote, he made his audience believe they were histening to Italian music. We are less easily hoodwinked; the French accent is barely concealed.

In the mature Apothéose de Lully sonata he attempted a union of the French and Italian styles and the noble pathos and vivacity of the Ecole d'Orphée's performance suggested a happy consummation.

By the next generation the Italian style had penetrated deeper. Boismortier, whose immense output could keep the Wigmore Hall occupied (if not by an audience) for more than three months, wrote trio sonatas, still showing a Gallic elegance. We heard one for flute, gamba and continuo, one for violin, cello and continuo, both shortish of phrase but tuneful, and with little surprises to delight but never to alarm.

There was a Conversation galante et amusante by Guillemain, a drawing-room piece in a charmingly if not purposefully conversational manner. If this were Bach, we would call the textures multiple counterpoint, but here the term seems too grave. Finally there was one of Telemann's Paris quartets, whose brilliant cosmopolitanism, splendidly realized, demon-strated by contrast how limiting the French style could be.

Bridge No justice

After studying tournament won with the AA, drew the last records for half a century I trump, cashed dummy's two am convinced that luck plays winning clobs and played a substantial a part in duplication of the control cate as in rubber bridge. Skill alone does not win matchesleast of all pairs tournaments. Partners who play their cards faultlessly do not always emerge with scores above those obtained by paks who allow for an occasional mistake by opponents or who expect that fortune is constantly smiling upon them. Whether owing to desperation or nervousness, one player can be inspired to take an apparently ludicrous chance and succeed whilst

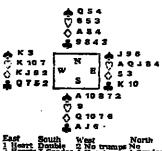
another may be injustly rewarded for refusal to take a risk contract. of any kind. Competitors in international events are not less dependent on lucky breaks then those who confine themselves to a weekly duplicate match in their local club. The only fact which emerges is that the standard merhods of scoring give an AK42 advantage to those who over-

ful opposition and that the vic-tims of unusually brilliant play —or of bidding which deprives them of their maximum score —are not awarded adequate compensation.

Here is a deal where gross overbidding was unduly re-

bid their cards against power-

Game all; dealer East.



East South West North

1 Heart Damble 2 No trumps No
3 Hearts 3 Spades 4 Hearts 4 Spades No
No No Double No

South was so confident that he could not defeat a game contract by East West when North had passed Two No trumps that he deliberately invited a heavy penalty. He found himself with a top score because he was the only South to play in Four Spades and lose 200.

to play in Four Spades and lose 200.

West led the VK and a second heart was ruffed by South who played a small spade. West took his *K and forced with his tast heart; so declarer ruffed, led a spade to the *Q and led a low club from dummy. East's \$10 revealed his likely shape, confirmed when West won with the *Q and returned a club, mark-

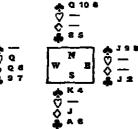
perforce led a diamond which ran to the \$Q and declarer emerged with nine tricks, giving East West bottom score. Possibly East should have won the opening heart and returned a diamond which would destroy the endular but east with a the end-play; but even with a pensity bonus of 500 the defenders would not have improved their position against all the East Wests who played and made Four Hearts.

A superistive defence against

a slam gives one pair a substan-tial score, but the declarer and his partner are unduly punished if they alone fail to make the

North South game; dealer

Declarer played the A and he thought that he could surmount the bad trump break by securing an end-play. He cashed the $\Diamond A$ and led a club to the $\clubsuit K$, East carefully playing his $\clubsuit Q$ to avoid being later thrown in and West following with the \$10. South next took his \$K, ruffed a diamond, and eliminated the hearts. He then cashed the AA before ruffing his losing OJ. This was the



West followed to the AA with the A7 and East played the AJ. Declarer led the AJ and ruffed with the AQ, but East did not make the mistake of discarding his A2. East under-ruffed with the A8 and now could not be fixed with the lead when declarer led dummy's lead when declarer led dummy's club. East was able to follow suit and, with his partner on lead with the \$9, made a trick in trumps, when otherwise he was end-played.

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Gardening

Potatoes in the pink

For some years past Pink Fir Apple, the variety of potato much esteemed for use as much esteemed for use as potato salad, has been unobtainable. So I am glad to report that limited quantities of seed tubers of this variety are available this year. This new stock is virus-free and has been developed by the meristem cuttings system. It is claimed to give a yield several times greater than was obtained from the old stocks of this variety. going on over the past 10 years or so in various horticultural institutes and other national establishments. This work is, of course, primarily directed to the production of improved varieties for the commercial

supplies this year will be limited to five pounds to any one customer, and the delivered price is £3, cash with order. The suppliers are Phoenix Garden Bulb Co Ltd. 15 Grear George Street, Bristol. They wisely point out that as this is a late maincrop variety it is important to keep the haulm (the top growth) healthy by regular spraying against aphids, which of course can transmit virus diseases from sick to healthy plants, and to spray against potato blight at the appropriate season.

Mirected towards varieties suit able for this market.

But eventually there is, as the "spin off" for the amateur, and one of this year's it bits that has come to us in retail cultural Research Institute. It is a splendid cabbage. It produces a heavy yield of solid round cabbages of an attractive medium green colour, with a very short internal stem. Its is appropriate season.

against potato blight at the appropriate season.

They also suggest that foliar feeding would be an aid to a heavy yield. I must say that heavy yield. I must say that february. Seeds are stocked by while I am a great advocate of foliar feeding I had not I do suggest you grow it for thought of giving it to potatoes an autumn or winter crop.

Now to something quite different. Are you contemplating it would seem logical that it would increase the yield of potatoes. Certainly irrigation at the right time in dry spells greatly increases the yield of potatoes.

Much breeding work with Food, entitled The Agricultural fruits and vegetables has been Climate of England and Wales, by L. P. Smith (£2.40 from Her Majesty's Stationery Office, or through any bookseller).

Now please do not be put off by the word "agricultural".

This bulletin was primarily produced to help farmers, but climate affects us all—farmers, varieties for the commercial grower, and of course as deep frozen produce is of such enormous importance these days, much of the breeding is directed towards varieties suitable for this market.

But eventually there is, as the modern jargon has it, some "spin off" for the amateur, and one of this year's it bits that has come to us in retail packets is Celtic cabbage. This was bred at the Scottish Horticultural Research Institute. It is a splendid cabbage. It pro-

up and gone away. Anyway, if you have moved to a new environment and you take your gardening seriously it is extremely useful to have some elementary information about the climate. Possibly the most valuable bit of informa-tion is the length of the grow-ing season. This can vary from 200 days in the north-east of England to 322 days in south western Cornwall. For the pur-poses of this survey England and Wales were divided into 50 chimatic areas, and for each area certain information about the weather is given. The growing season I have aiready mentioned, and this heads the list of "areal averages". Next come potential transpiration,

the mean date of the last spring frost, irrigation need, average monthly rainfall, the average number of hours of sunshine a day, the day length for each month, also the average air and soil temperatures for each month.

tures for each month. tures for each month.

Curiously, I have several requests for information about how to get rid of winter heliotrope, Petasites fragrans. This is a very invasive plant, deep rooted and difficult to eradicate once it has taken hold. It has large leaves, and white flowers in winter which have a nowerful scent reminiscent a powerful scent reminiscent

Because it spreads so rapidly it can become a great nuisance in a garden, and should only be planted in semi wild areas where it can do no harm. It is fairly resistant to selective weedkillers, but, as with ground elder, it can be controlled by paraquat (Weedol), but several applications may be necessary.

It must be remembered that paraquat should be applied immediately any new foliage appears above ground if the first application has not eradicated the weed. With selective weedkillers such as we use on lawn we leave the weeds to grow and produce a large leaf area to absorb as much of the chemical as possible. Not so when using Weedol on deep-rooted weeds. Hit the foliage as soon as it pokes through the

Roy Hay

The Times special offer

The gardener's lucky dip



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With the cost of fruit and vegetables mounting all the time these cloches could earn their outlay in a season or two if used to produce early straw-berries, lettuces, peas, sweet corn and other pricey crops.

This year particularly, our mades will restoud in applicagardens will respond to applications of manure, especially those rich in nitrogen which is the plant food most quickly leached out of the soil by heavy

rains. I have always been a firm believer in hop manure. The formulation we offer has a pleasant smell, is easy to handle, and you can use it on any soil, even on limy soils. It may be used as a top dressing at four ounces to about its source fact or your may did it.

ing at four ounces to about 10 square feet, or you may dig it in at eight ounces or more to the same area.

I like to treat my flower beds generously with hop manure before planting out my summer bedding plants. What is not used up by the summer plants will still be there to give the wallflowers and other plants. wallflowers and other plants
we put in during the amount
a good start. I use it, of course,
for other flowers, fruits and
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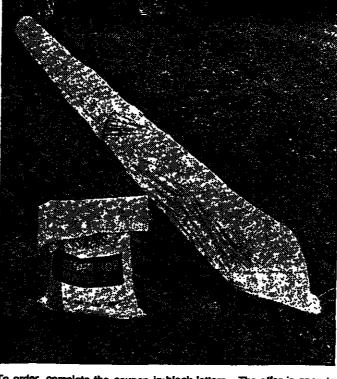
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I must emphasize that some-times birds change their feed-ing habits, and if they are desperate for food they may even take buds treated with Curb. We have a very large bird population in my area, but there is plenty of alternative food for the birds and I am glad to say they leave our buds alone.

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Chess

No surrender

The spectamr at a chess tournament, if he is not a chess player or is a weak player, will be deceived by the expression on the faces of the contestants into believing that they are suffering that they are suffering the tortures of the damned and that something of vital importance is going on. What he fails to grasp is that under this mask of stern effort and concentrations of the contraction of the contraction of the contraction of the contraction. tion the players are enjoying

tion the players are enjoying themselves hugely.

Chess in fact possesses the distinction of being the most seriously frivolous of all indoor games and it is possibly for this reason that all the puritanical spirits of the past, ranging from the monks of Mount Athos to George Bernard Shaw, have so roundly condemned it. They cannot forgive the serious player for creating a world of his own, a world with its own rules and conventions which is so far removed from the workaday world that the wooden pieces

how the chess enthusiast is in-sulated and cut off from the realities and the rigours of everyday life. Hence the reason for the popularity of chess in war time, in prisons and in parliaments and in every place where the harshness of reality is not to be borne. H. G. Wells
put it in another way when he
pointed out that if you wanted
to destroy a promising young
politician all you had to do
was to teach him how to play
these properly. The complexity these properly. The emphasis is on the word properly. The weaker the player the less the protection he has against what is going on in the outside world.

Hence, oddly enough, the sanity of this unreal world. The players are dreaming a healthy balm-giving dream from which if woken they cry to sleep again. Down here at Hastings one gets the impression that neither revolutions nor earthquakes would prevent the natural sequence of rounds from taking place. Ask a tournament competitor what day it is and the chances are he will give you a blank stare, but you have he sure that he will know the sure that the will know the sure that the sure that the will know the may be sure that he will know what round it is.

For the Chinese this may be the year of the snake, but for the chess player this is the year of the Candidates matches, the year when eight of the world's leading players are meeting each other to decide who will challenge the world champion, Anatoly Karpov, for his title in 1978. Britain may or may not be self-sufficient in oil by the end of that year; but, writing and thinking as a chess player, my chief interest in the oil area in that year will be to see how our team does in Teheran, since it is in the capital of Iran that the Olympiad may well take place.

Nor do I exaggerate when I refer to the unconcern with which chess players regard revolutions. Once, many years ago, I was invited to play in a great international tournament at Havana, I believe this was

done in recognition of book I had written on Car lanca, one of the greatest che players of all time and tainly the finest player Conver produced. Unfortunatel was unable to accept the intation since I had a lot work in hand in Europe about that time. The tour work in hand in Europe about that time. The tour ment duly took place and course coincided with the of the Batista regime. A frie of mine, the Dutch mas Ludowijk Prins, played in event and I asked him, on return to Europe, whether revolution had in any affected the play in the tour ment. Not at all, he said, thad heard some distant fir going on, but otherwise enthing was perfectly normal. I imagine that if chess

falling in ashes round th When and if the civili with which the chessplayer expresses his ideas seem endowed with more life than the figures in Shakespeare's dream world.

It is indeed quite remarkable how the chess enthusiast is interest with the compact of the co writing a commercial for I tings chess; but indeed chess played in the Ladbr Premier here has been n enjoyable, not least that l duced by the tournam leader, Oleg Mikhailov. Romanishin. Just look at beautiful game he won in

seventh round against former world champion, sily Smyslov. White: Romanishin. Smyslov. Ruy Lopez, Steir Defence Deferred. P-K1 P-K1 5 0-0 B-02 K1-KB3 K1-0B3 7 P-84 K1-85 B-K15 P-0R3 7 K1-85 8-K15 B-R1 P-03 Clear waste of a tempo; }

ter was 7..., P-KKt3.

8 P-KR3 BrKt
Nor is this a good idea (rect was 8 . . , B-R4; 9, P-Petr was 8 B. R4; 9 P.
B.K2.
9 Ox8 P.KK3
Decidedly, Smyslov is our
form in this game; instead
the text-move and its see
he should play 9 Kei
10. Kt-K2, P.KKt3. The min

sion of the moves makes all difference between a lost a tenable game.

10 P-Q4 Kt-Q2

After 10 . . . PxP; Roorishin had intended playing
P-K5. Or if 10 . . . P-QK 11. KtzP, PzKr; 12. BzP,

lowed by P.QS.

11 PxP Kt (Q2) xP

Rather better here is 11 12 Q-R2 B-R2 14 QR-Q1
13 B-R3 0-0
Threatening P-B5 but perh:
the pawn move was better

14 P.BS RI-RE 17 K:-QSKt(Kt)
15 P.BS P.QKt 18 B-Q2 P-QKt
16 PXP e.p. PXP
After this Black ln/ quickly; a better chance v. 18 . . . BxB; 19. RxB, P-QE 20. P-QKt4, Kt-Kt3. 19 BrB ExB 20 P-0Kt: PxB If 20. . Kr-B3: 21. B-Kt3. 21 Px6 RrsP 22 R-B1 P-R6 Or 22 . . R-R2: 23. Q-K R-Kt2: 24. R-B3, followed

Kt-Kc4 ch. 25 P-B1 PxP Harry Golombe

Drink

Hot stuff

Hot drinks, in the form of cards until 2 in the morning mulled wine or punch, are might double as a last cour. pleasant party fare. Our at an informal meal, or accessors made an entertainment out of mixing them: the ment out of mixing them: the people: Core six cooking appl special spice boxes, nutneg and bake them with a knob graters and laddes with which hosts, proud of their individual butter in each and some sug sprinkled on. When they a cooked hear one quart of a

But there are only two essentials in making this kind of cloves and ground ginger, drink. First, the mixture must the ale, with a little more sug if the apples are not swe not boil, although it must be kept really hot, for sipping rather than swallowing in gulps. If wine boils, the alcohol is given off and the resulting liquid will be thin and sharp, so, unless you have some sharp, so, unless you have some type of table-top heater or platewarmer, it is probably better to heat up a large amount and keep what is not immediately required in a cloves at least 23 hours better to heat up a large amount and keep what is not immediately required in a cloves at least 23 hours better to heat up a large amount and keep what is not cloves at least 23 hours better to heat up a large amount and keep what is not cloves at least 23 hours better to heat up a large amount and keep what is not limited by the desired to the large amount and the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount amount and keep what is not limited to the large amount am series of vacuum jars. With any series or vacuum jars. With any recipe containing a high proportion of fortified wine or spirits, it is permissible to top up a third or fourth helping with hot water—you will not be thought mean if the base of the drink starts by being strong.

drink starts by being strong.

Then it is important to keep the proportions of the recipe. Too often people suppose that adding extra spirits or the contents of some odd bottle of wine will improve the drink, but this can result in a mixture that may be far from agreeable in taste and too strong for a party lasting an hour or so. Use inexlasting an hour or so. Use inexpensive but not harsn table
wine and, as recipes usually
give proportions per bottle, it is
fair to calculate that you can
get eight servings from each get eight servings from each of these—10 if the glasses are small. Bear in mind, too, that they should not be so thin as to risk cracking when the hot liquid is poured in.

liquid is poured in.

I stress that spices should be added tied in a piece of muslin, so that the mull is not full of particles. Also, if a recipe includes honey or sugar, be certain to add this, even if you don't usually like sweet drinks; the spices and any spirits can don't usually like sweet drinks; the spices and any spirits can make the heated wine almost bitter and the honey—which will not result in the drink heing obviously sweet—is an integral ingredient. Many mixtures improve greatly if they are made and heated some hours beforehand, allowed to cool and then re-heated.

Lamb's Wool, which Samuel Pepys drank while playing

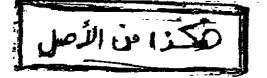
recipes, would perform are collectors pieces to just under boiling poir scoop the apple flesh out of it. skins and add it, plus generous sprinkle of grow

> enough. Serve very hot, in cust cups or small tumblers, wi spoons for eating the apple pu-which does look somewi which does look somewhilke the wool of a rath weather-beaten lamb.

you require the drink. Bring a good heat, then allow to sta a good heat, then allow to stal and re-heat when needed. Many of these hor drinks ha clerical names—Bishop being type of mulled port, Cardinusing claret, and Po Champagne. They were ve popular in the eighteenth a nineteenth centuries, who many of the clergy were off know more for their hospitality. many of the clergy were oft know more for their hospitalithan for their austerity. evolved a mixture for son friends on December 26 th combined both Bishop at Cardinal and although it do include several liqueurs. include several liqueurs, the could be added from miniature

counting one good glassful to miniature. St Stephen's Mull: For abo 30 people, stud 3 oranges and lemon with 4-6 cloves, and befor 45 minutes in the ove Quarter the fruit and put with the peel of a lemon, inches of cinnamon stick, about 15 controls of controls of the control of the controls of the control a teaspoonful of coarsely grain numes, into a muslin bag. P this into a mixture of 3 bottl of inexpensive claret and half bottle of port, 4 tablespoonfut thick boney, 1 teaspoonf Angostura Bitters, the juice an orange and 1 glass each of brandy or Armagnac or simil grape spirit, cherry brandy, at any orange-flavoured liques such as Cointreau, Triple Sectouracao. Bring slowly to heat then allow to cool and simil overnight. When required, he to just under boiling point, tall out the spices and serve. a teaspoonful of coarsely graft

out the spices and serve. Pamela Vandyke Prick



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rule becomes more important

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> In the present economic climate people will turn to the cheapest holiday they can

another boom year for car ferries, and that the season will

be longer than ever before."

Mr Lancaster-Smith's views are certainly borne out by early booking figures, and by interest being shown in the various ferry companies' cur-price offers—many of which bring down the cost of taking your car and a family of four across to Europe this year to far below the £100 return

being quoted by many sources.
The cost might be cut even further if ferry operators fol-lowed the example of one or two pioneers and introduced more business outlets on board the ferries—whether those outlets be additional duty-free shops or a better selection of restaurants, bars and discos. Those who would not welcome innovations remember that the English Channel is still one of the expensive stretches of water to cross.

Ferry facts and figures tend towards the unbelievable, with 14,000,000 passengers using the 33 individual ferry routes to and from Britain last year and half of them passing through Dover. They also show a remarkable conservatism and lack of imagination among intending passengers—although motorists from the north-east Channel, Townsend Thoresen can book you; and your car from Barcelona to Majorca; DFDS will take you across the North Sea and carry you and your car between Copenhagen and Oslo—and if you book both at a care you and solo—and if you book both at a care you suggested. are at last discovering the convenience of a Continental crossing from Felixstowe which avoids the road journey through or round London, and the soaring figures for Rams-gate suggest a happy future for the hovercraft.

With so many routes and so many ferry companies to choose from, it is virtually impossible to help people to be advecturous by giving specific advice for next summer Rev advice for next summer. But

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you could be saving yourself a lot of time and trouble. There are, operators agree, no "magic" routes—although they are still looking for them. But if you are heading for Brittany, Aquitaine, or northern Spain the new services from Portsmouth and Ply-mouth could save a lot of driv-

ing, particularly for those living in the south and south-west. Drivers bound for Holland, Germany and points east might find similar advantages in Olau Line's Sheerness to Vlissingen service, which will deposit them as close to the major motorways as Ostend does.

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the number of passengers, but it is worth considering for a family. Another example is meals: children can (and do) practically eat the value of their fare at the self-service cold table lunch on P & O Normandy Ferries' service be-tween Southampton and Le land between Cairmyan and Fred Olsen-Bergen Line: Services from Newcastle (to Sta-

DON'T try to drive too far too fast. Sealink, in their information booklet, suggest that a four-hour drive after disembarkation will bring you to the mid-west of Ireland or, on the Continent to beyond a kine vanger and Bergen). Brittany Ferries: Services from Portsmouth (to St Malo)

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Eighty miles away, the Danube delta is different also, unique in Europe, We entered that aquatic safari park, embarked in the black high-prowed canoe and chugged hulfway to a fen horizon on a deadstraight canal, seeing no life straight canar, seeing no his more wild than boatloads of tourists like ourselves. Admittedly we did not go far enough, we did not travel the Pelican road to the isles, the fisheries, violet lakes and water-life lagoons. We mer a woman who bearns to saim in woman who learnt to swim in her own reed-thatched, riverside cottage, round and round the bed, during the springtime inundations of the Danube banks. At Tulcea and Murighiol they offered accommodation in fishermen's huts: something the régime approves, something of a novelty for the western traveller in socialist lands.

We are travelling to Tirgu Jau, 400 miles inland, two-thirds of the way across Romania. With a long way to go we stick to the main tourist routes, crossing the Danube at Hirsova where Russian river cruisers are loading, crossing miles of black beaufields and oil impregnated Ploesti, crossing Bucharest, As small towns take over topped second-hand Christmas decora- roofs.

operator. Nine ferry customers our of every 10 stipulate no more than their port of depar-ture—and in so doing perhaps miss a better deal financially, or in terms of time. Ferry operators from the United Kingdom this year in-Sealink (British Rail plus tions from large towns, so central Bucharest seems to have gone in for cut-price bits of Paris, Rome and New York.

Paris, Rome and New York.
Architecturally we chop and
change: neo-classical, altDeutsch, Byzantine. A trolleybus, boarded at random, rolls us
past supermarkets, boulevards
without end, gardens of wild
roses and a cluster of archaic
cortages with floral counices
and source dented caps for and square dented caps for roofs. This last is the four-acre "village museum", where all the multitudinous rustic styles of the provinces are united.

The bucuresti are different again, if the samples we meet are typical: rafish, cynical, sophisticated. When we give the new Bucharest approach-road its official title, Gheorghiu-Dhej motorway, we are corrected: since the American President draws down it everyone knows. drove down it, everyone knows it as Nixon Boulevard.

We miss the old royal retreats on this trip, Sinaiz and Bran, the spas, chareaux and hunting lodges north of the metropolis; and that supreme ecclesiastical experience of central Europe, the painted churches of the Bukovina, carapaced like tor-toises, frescoed inside and out by methods no longer discover able. Nor do we make the fourth corner of this diversified touristland, the newly opened Iron Gates corniche along the Danube gorges, Romania's sensational exit to the west.

Over every inch of our road a monastery or a cula—the square forcess of the boyars keeps watch. In pockets of the hills, tiny cherry orchards; through V-shaped clefts, the Carpathians, like a row of white handkerchiefs hung in the sky.

Finally, Tirgu Jiu. A quite ordinary town, another open-air museum of cottage styles. This is where Brancusi was born. All streets converge on his "End-less Column", a Brancusian en-largement of the rustic "pillar of heaven", totempole or phallic emblem, carved in oak, a motif of the region. You see it incorporated in the ginger-bread scrolls of the little gates, littles and shutters of houses which often, with Romanian disdain of folkloristic niceties, are with corrugated-iron

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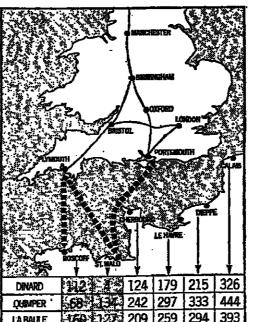
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Urgent memo to Mr Crosland: root out these spies living in London

As Foreign Secretary in Mr Heath's Government, Sir Alec Douglas Home dismissed 105 in September, 1971. He active subversionists

operse there was Foreign Secretary were both denounced for illiberality and the West Mr Heart and Sir Alec received their proper due of public support and approba-

It is time, surely, for the resent Foreign Secretary, Mr anthony Crostand, to emulate ir Alec with Mr Callaghan's Again, there sy. Some belong to other

berrayed the heavy oppressive character of the incumbent authority, this is it.

To say that London is over-run with Soviet spies would be an exaggeration (or so I hope): to suggest that they are over-numerous is not. Over-numerous? You may think that even one spy is one too afrer all, we have our ogents in Moscow—and prazen nypocrisy of the Kus- ogenis in Muscow—and they man regime, perhaps the ghast- are rather good, I believe. So less tyranny known to history. It has been all through history society. While we can hardly hope to eliminate them on our own territory we could, how-ever, reduce their numbers, as

One of Mr Crosland's immediate duties should be to examine the complements of the various Iron Curtain embassies in London, to ask himself—or rather to find out—what all their members do, and to rid us of some of these swollen cohorts. The saboteurs are not only present in themselves—in Czechoekowskia, with its hide their own right, so to speak; ous monumental establishment they have their direct accom-

The spy is a permanent fixture in every society. While we cannot eliminate them on our own territory, we could reduce their number.

agance in saying that the United Kingdom and its institutions are being undermined: and the internal causes have lien—origins. These subversive influences are to be found not only among the Mar-xists of the Labour Party in tuencies but in Whitehall. Do

remporaries—and but for the laws of libel I could name one or two—were of the selfsame into Soviet service.

A few of them survive, enjoying their indexed public pensions (and no doubt a trouble-free conscience), while others have died. Their successors are present in Whitehall, and we should never forget that—especially in the sphere of home, rather than foreign, affairs. That is where the you suppose that Burgess, Mac affairs. That is where the lean, Philipy and Blake were damage lies nowadays: in the clone in their treachery? Of field of domestic policy.

themselves beyond in the lives and three British citizens of standing who are prominent critics of communism: Mr Robert Moss, Mr Brian Crozier and Mr Iain Hamilton.

Mr Moss, the author of Chile's Marxist Experience, is the director of the National Association for Freedom, of hich Lord De L'Isle and Dud-(a member of the council the National Association), is the director of the Institute for the Study of Conflict, with which Mr Hamilton, a former editor of The Spectator, is also associated as are Professor Leonard Schapiro, Professor Max Beloff and that great authority on counter-insur-gency, Sir Robert Thompson. Committed as it is to exposof the KGB throughout the western world, the Institute is a natural target for the attentions of that all-pervasive instrument of repression. It suffered a massive their of docu-ments from its offices in Lon-

Meanwhile there can be lit don in 1975, when no less than the doubt that agents of the 25 files were stolen. Worse was KGB—the Soviet Committee of to follow last summer, when State Security—have been in Mr Hamilton's house was broken into and then set on fire. These were no "ordinfire. These were no "ordin-ary" criminal acts of burglary, arson and intimidation.

But there is more to it than this—much more. For one thing, we now have the National Union of Students. complaining about the activi-ties of foreign intelligence services in our own universitiesincluding, needless to say, the KGB. The NUS—understandably affronted—is to conduct an investigation. As the president, Mr Charles Clarke, was saying last week: "We are not prepared to tolerate these activities. We believe many English universities have agents from various organizations operating within them". Others are thought to be the CIA, SAVAK (of Iran) and BOSS (of South

Africa).
Three ministers hold special responsibilities in this field. The first is the Prime Minister himself. The others are the Home Secretary and the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. They ought surely to stir themseives at once. © Times Newspapers Ltd, 1977

Moscow's grand hotel, 25 storeys high and untouched by Russian hands

of the cosmonaut monument. The four-star luxury hotel, first of its class in the Soviet Union, is being built as part of pre-parations for the 1980 summer Olympics. Literally and figura-tively new ground has been

The entire project is foreign. The architects and management are French and the foundation is being laid by Yugoslavs. The only Russians within the building site peri-meter are the dustmen and

Apart from sand, gravel and cement practically everything is shipped by rail or lorry from France. All the fittings and fixtures, from doorknobs to bath-tubs and lifts will be of French or other western make. Plans provide for 1,821 rooms, includng 53 two-room suites and six three-room suites with a total

The three top floors will nouse several restaurants and bars, each restaurant with its separate kitchen and cuisine, French, Russian, Georgian-Armenian and central Asian as well as simply international. The total restaurant capacity will be 3,400. The ground floor, besides the lobby, will include shopping concourse.

The crescent will be flanked at one end by a 1,000 seat con-ference hall with a simultaneous translation system, and multi-purpose stage and retractable cinema screen. The entire operation is being handled by the French Société Etudes Financier et de Realisation as Sefri, on contract with Intourist, the Soviet state tourist agency. Sefri is directed by M Jean Claude Aron, with offices on the 49th floor of the Paris Tour Montparnasse, which Sefri also built and owns:

The estimated cost in foreign currency (exclusive of materials supplied by Soviet organizations under separate agreement) is 604 million francs, 20 per cent credit, guaranteed by the French Government. About 10 per cent of the financing is by a consortium of private banks, the largest contributor being Credit

of long negotiations started in mid 1972. Since then Paris based American banker David Karr, one of the pioneer negohundred trips to Moscow. At the outset there was talk of many different projects, includ-ing three or four hotels, one in Leningrad, another in Vladimir. Blueprints for these were even

In 1974 a Franco-Sovier protocol of intent was signed, envisaging a 700 million franc contract before there was any decision as to how many hotels and where. Eventually, by May 1975, they settled for one luxury hotel in Moscow. The plans were accordingly pre-pared and submitted in September to the Soviet side which approved them one month later. Next came the choice of the Next came the choice or one location. The present size was finally agreed on and turned over to Sefri on April 15, 1976. The construction equipment, virtually all of it French, including granes, concrete mixers. chiding cranes, concrete mixers, buildozers, even hand tools, had been shipped in the meantime.

The French managers, engineers, technicians and clerical staff and the Yugoslavs—some 240 employees plus a few wives and children—are John Woodcock kilometres away in the suburb

serves French and Yn meals at nominal prices. The Yugoslav workers r Beigrade building organi

them have had prev worked abroad, in Germa ledge of French to ser

Ali personnel have sion rares. An Intourist inside the Soviet Union takes orders for ticke theatres and sports & This winter the Yugoslav to organize several l

buildings an assembled by assembled by June 1, ground was broken. And will go ahead non-stop th the winter. Considering complexities, things have avoid delays a regular to service is being jointly Soyuzvneshtrans. There fastest run from Paris to days flat, it was set by loaded with French wine kegs spilled open in tra-Autumo has shaded winter early this year. I

frosty air crash-hel figures in yellow padded i of the semi-circular cany, excavation, setting the forced concrete foundati

The Yugoslav brigade to complete its part of the trades (a goodly porne them may prove to Portuguese) will arrive o scene and the superstri-will begin to assume its To allow ample time "breaking in " before the sure of the 1980 Olympic target for completion of furnishings, is April 15, On that date Sefri is sup to pack up and turn lock, and barrel over to Inte which will be exclusivel charge of staffing and or ing the four star hotel. In the initial stages of ; that they share in running hotel, at least for a transit be sufficiently trained. Eur

original sponsors bowed on The arrangements with I provide for sending conting of Russian chefs, waiters, f maids, hall porters, bell and other categories to Fr for a year's training in Fr hotels. Sefri is confident it will keep to the schedule the hotel will be ready on t This is more than can be for another, even, more .: tious project, the Moscow I the end of this year, it is yet even a hole in the grt

Edmund Stev

The orgy of greed that has put a blight on Oxford

the structures of our civilization and culture are being chal-lenged, if not destroyed."

Those of us who feel that in the past decade or so Oxford has declined from a place of enchantment into just another provincial city are inclined to wonder whether we are not merely victims of nostalgia. Mr James Stevens Curl, former chairman of the local civic society and author of a book just published has no such

set in at least a century ago. He is certainly no medieval amuch that the Victorians particularly the leafy and crescents of north But as he sees it, the of the mid-nineteenth not to mention the legacy of the previous millen-nium, have been dissipated in and obeisance to that prime object of conservationist de-

tradition which, as befire his position as an architect, pays tribute to some distinguished contemporary buildings as well as to the city's older glories. But every now and then he seems no longer able to contain his rage. Sober dispassionate criticism gives way to out-

bursts of uninhibited scorn.

the world of concentration camps and inhumanity. The surroundings of a national treasure should be maltreated in this way is nothing short of

Yer on the whole he succeed: in making his point which is that cities like Oxford—or, for that matter, Cambridge, Wor-cester, Hereford, Exeter, Winchester and Edinburgh—are sive redevelopment but by care-lessness and insensitivity. That is the erosion of which he

writes, and even the best modern architecture cannot pre-Who then is to blame? For Mr Curl the chief villains are local politicians and the plan-ning bureaucracies they have created "The power held by local authorities is enormous . the environment of today re-His is a curious offering, in part little more than a guide-book in the Bædeker/Pevsner tradition which as left. be no pleasure, no redeeming feature, no hope."

John Young James Stevens Curl. The Erosion of Oxford Oxford Illustrated Press. £2.95.

In our centenaries feature The Speedwell Street tele which appeared on January 5, we wrongly described Rubens in Britain. It displays such a sa Dutch painter. His native total lack of feeling for the city was Antwerp, now in scale of Oxford, as well as stark Belgium.



The Calcutta Derby was run last Saturday at the Maidan, a last Saturday at the Maidan, a racecourse as extensive as Ascot, with the stands looking much as they must have done there 50 years ago. In the days of empire, the arrival of the viceroy in a carriage procession yielded nothing to the royal meeting of Ascot in its pomp and splendour. That has gone now, but the Royal gone now, but the Royal Calcutta Turf Club still pros-

Derby, run over a mile and a horses going neck and neck for the line, pursued at a distance by the rest. Raymond Guest, one of five English jockeys spending the winter in Calcutta, rode the winner, Topspin, and "Kipper Lynch" rode Sunbird, beaten by a neck.

Nor was that the end of the English connexion. Although all 11 runners were bred in India (it is against the law now India (it is against the law now to import a horse to race, though not the occasional stallion and brood mare) the winner's trainer, Shivendra Singh, learnt his trade at Newmarket under Clive Brittain. Aged 24, Shivendra is in his first full season as a trainer, and even the rectnership even the partnership

Sportsview

Go East young man for thrills of the Turf

between him and his jockey can be traced to Newmarket. Raymond Guest, son of one

of Doug Smith's workriders, was staying with his father in Newmarker while Shivendra Singh was there. With a riding weight of 8st 6lb, Raymond was already finding it hard and unrewarding work trying to estab-lish himself as a professional jockey at home. "If they wanted anyone at that weight they could get Lestor Piggort", To make a better living, Guest looked farther afield. He

tried Greece without liking it, then Scandinavia, which is where he first broke through. Madras followed, for four successive winters, and last November, through the New-

market grapevine, he joined Shivendra Singh. In England the name of known than those of Lynch or Colin Williams or Ecclesion or Tulk, who were all in Satur-day's field. This is not to say that as a travelling jockey with an honest reputation and an

overseas Derby in his locker, Guest is much less well off than they are, Williams and Tulk, for example, work for Calcutta stables in less good form than Guest's. Since chancing it abroad, Guest has ridden enough winners in Denmark. Sweden and Norway to buy himself a house in Copenhagen. On Sundays he rides in Sweden, on total of about 35 winners during the Scandinavian season, many of them on horses bought from England, he has much more fun than if he were still struggling to stay in the saddle In Calcutta, his young trainer has found him a flat and he has a bearer to cook for him, a

when the racing is in Malmo he

commutes by hydrofoil. With a

bearer to do his laundry, a bearer to clean his boots. He his first season in Calcutta. Having landed the Derby, worth £7,000 to the winning owner, and therefore £700 to Guest, he may do even better. What is, of course, denied to.

someone who settles for riding in Scandinavia and India, perhaps one day in Hongkong or Singapore, is the opportunity partnering the world's best horses. Although the Norwegian colt Noble Dancer raised the status of Scandinavian racing by doing so well in last year's Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, he was an exception. But for a young man like Raymond Guest, who is 25, riding abroad has its

Thursday nights in Norway; Togo pays a harsh price in the name of God and the people

The young soldier who in 1963 took part in the assassination of Sylvanus Olympio, the first President of Togo, is celebrating the tensh anniversary of the coup which brought him to power. General Gaassingbé Eyadéma, was one of a group of soldiers who, having served in the French army in Indo-China and Algeria, found they were not to be redeployed on return to their own country. Their frustration led them to confront Olympio at his home and in a subsequent physical struggle near by, it was Eyadéma who, according to all reliable sources, pulled a gun and fired

national identity they have never have before. The party has been provided with a provided with as been provided with a base provided with a conference ceutre, built like other presige projects form the proceeds of the recent boom in phosphates, which has far surpassed cocoa and coffee as the nation's chief export earner.

Critics of the regime regard the regime regard the regime regard to the shade of opinion. The price of lasting peace and stability is harsh. Amnesty International led them to confront Olympio at his home and in a subsequent physical struggle near by, it was Eyadéma who, according to all reliable sources, pulled a gun and fired

The reins of government passed to Nicolas Grunitzky, leader of the Opposition, whose regime, torn by internewhose regime, torn by interne-cine strife, staggered on until January 13, 1967, when the army took over (symbolically on the anniversary of the pre-vious coup), suspending the constitution and all political activity. Eyadéma, by then a lieutenant-colonel in command of the army hung back but of the army, hung back but four months later assumed the presidency himself.
The overriding consideration

was to set up an administra-tion that would unite the country once and for all and country once and for all and eliminate the north-south jealousies that had hampered previous governments. At first there were doubts whether President Eyadéma was capable of filling this role, but he has gradually grown into it. He founded the current party, the Rassemblement du Peuple Togolais in 1969, and has con-Togolais in 1969, and has con-tinued his tough rule with a handful of ministers ever

nessed and taken part in such punishment, some of which inevitably end in death. His power is apparently undis-

I was received in the sumptuous modern palace he has built for himself in Lome, the capital. Guards lined the corridors leading to his office and when he rose to greet me, I was able to grip his outstretched hand only by leaning far across the massive desk even though we are both very tall. It was not difficult to understand why the broad mass

youthful animateurs, uniformed political dancers who gyrate to African rhythms and chant more adulatory slogans. The experience is both exciting and disturbing, for the Nazi salute of the dancers reflects inescapably the Nuremburg rallies of the thirties.

By far the oldest and most By far the oldest and most intractable problem abroad is the case of former western Togo. The present republic, an incongruous finger of land, less than 40 miles wide at the less and reaching 370 miles. less than 40 miles wide at the sea and reaching 370 miles northwards, between Ghana to the west and Benin to the east, is roughly the eastern two thirds of the old German protectorate of Togoland. At the end of the First World War, Togoland was divided into two mandated territories, Britain taking the western portion and France the eastern.

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tant to bring the question area contains valuable c and cocoa plantations would affect the Volta! hydro-electric scheme Ghana he has already accused of harbouring torial ambitions.

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Geoffrey Wes

The war reporter, through the lens of the war photographer

This recently-discovered photograph of William Howard Russell, The Times correspondent who reported the American ent who reported the American Civil War, the Indian Mutiny and the Crimean War, is an original portrait from the establish his image in the original portrait from the studio of Matthew Brady, the celebrated American Civil War photographer. It was probably taken just before the outbreak of that wer in 1861. Russell is wearing the uni-

Russell is wearing the uniform of a Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. It is not known whether he was entitled to wear it, although he was lrish and had served as Deputy Lieutenant for the Tower Hamlets. Obviously it distinguished him from both the Union and

Confederate forces.

The portrait was found in a large collection of Brady photographs, which was recently auctioned in Baltimore. Mr LeRoy Bellamy, an archivist at the Library of Congress, said that they clearly came from the Brady studio in Washington because of the curtains and studio props. They are a few of the thousands of portraits the troops had taken of themselves before going off to fight.

Brady was by far the most distinguished photographer of his time, and as the clouds of year gathered he decided to record as much of the historic conflict as possible, at whatever the cost. By 1861 he had assem-bled a large team of photo-graphers and moved from New York to Washington.

In between his bazardous meditions to the front with

literally thousands of portraits. Generals and private soldiers waited hours in his studio for

Russell was a controversial figure before he went to the United States, and soon after his arrival in New York Harper's Weekly reported that he had expressed "his regret that his presence had too often petrel, the harbinger of trouble. He hoped that in the present case the experience of the past might be falsified, and his pen employed to record the circumstances of a reconciliation so precious, rather than those of a tratticidal war so deplorable to the feelings and interests of humanity."

It was not to be. He was soon considered by the North to be too friendly to the South, and instrumental in influencing British public opinion in favour of the Confederacy. His report of the first battle of Bulk Run, in which he described the fleeing Union troops as a rabble ing Union troops as a rabble also angered the North.

Brady, however, was commended for photographing the rout of the New York Zouaves. Not that it did him much good at the time. He spent 100,000 dollars of his own money photographing the war, and died in bankruptcy and obscurity in 1896.

Michael Binyon



Part of Matthew Brady's portrait of William Russell

process, but for the diversion of the torturers. Punishments include beating with steel whips or chains and electric shock treatment. Sometimes prisoners have been forced to beat each other. Other reliable sources allege that President Eyadéma himself has both wit-

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se chapel to work normally. It is perhaps best to pass over e replies that the Prime mister gave on the matter nen questioned by Mrs latcher. They certainly provide basis of doctrine for dealing th this sort of situation, and present the Prime Minister's treme reluctance to accept any tricism of trade union action in iv circumstances. We naturally are Mrs Thatcher's view that e issue is a vital one.

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the public does not have freedom of speech or information. Those who wish to maintain the freedom of a nation must stand behind the editorial freedom of the press, even though they know that it will sometimes be abused and often be wrong in its judgments. Those in the press who want to maintain its freedom must also try to raise the standard of its news reporting, its sense of responsibility, its willingness to report all sides and its essential fairness. Only a fair press will retain the public confidence that is needed by a free press.

In establishing the editorial freedom of The Times we have had in our history to deal with three major influences. Early in the nineteenth century we established our freedom from government and government subsidies; at about the same time we established our freedom from advertisers who in the eighteenth century press were able to insert paid puffs recommending their plays or their pills as though such puffs were an independent editorial opinion.

After our experience of Lord Northcliffe, in which The Times staff had a long struggle to resist the very wilful political control of their proprietor, independence from proprietorial direction was agreed in the letter to Lord Astor of Hever which was written by Geoffrey Dawson on his reappointment. That was confirmed at the time of the sale of the majority interest to the Thomson family, and editorial independence has been a consistent principle of both

Astor and Thomson ownership. The Times has had different relationships with different governments, with a sceptical scruminy being the normal and perhaps the wisest attitude. Yet we are certainly not enemies of governments as such. Our very different relationships with our advertisers and with our proprietors are obviously important and friendly ones. Both are essential to the wellbeing and indeed to the continuance of the newspaper. The principle of editorial independence is therefore one of independence and not of

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tirely devoted to foreign other men of his generation he agreement that enabled the rairs. Only his last twenty had fought in the trenches in the

First World War: all the sur-

vivors were determined to avoid

another great war; but where

others were bent on avoiding it

through appeasement Eden

thought to avoid it through build-

ing up strength and warning off

the aggressors. What he meant

for the anti-appeasement front was recalled by Churchill in his

memoirs on hearing the news of Eden's resignation: "I must con-

fess that my heart sank, and for

a little while the dark waters of

In the war years Eden's

prominence was naturally over-shadowed by Churchill. His task

in keeping in with difficult allies

-the Russians in particular-

exercised his talents to the full.

At no time was his diplomacy

tive of greater value to the

country and the whole allied

cause. In all foreign relations he

was a trusted adviser to Churchill

and sometime a necessary curb

His return to office as Foreign

ecretary and deputy Prime

Minister in Churchill's govern-

ment of 1951 was to a world in which the Europe he had known

before the war had disappeared.

A new Russian domination of

eastern Europe faced the world

power of the United States. If

Britain seemed in 1951 to have

the status of a world power by appearing still to be ruler of a

considerable empire, that was an

his talents. He was happier deal-

ing with Anglo-American affairs

with Eisenhower in the White

House, though not at all with

Dulles at the State Department.

His firmness and persistence were tested in 1954 when the

four-power conference at Berlin

Yet Eden could still display

on his exuberance.

-patient, skilful, often imagina-

despair overwhelmed me."

This too is the friendly relationship that we seek to have with all the trade unions that operate in the paper. The work of their members is obviously essential to the wellbeing of The Times; when the relationship with them is at its best the business of The Times goes forward most satisfactorily. Yet we are determined to be independent of them, as of government or advertisers or proprietor, in preserving the freedom of the editorial process. Independence is as essential to the working of the editorial process as it is to the working of the judiciary, and it can only be preserved by the same absolute standards.

In modern society the power of trade unions is very great. If newspapers admit the right of trade unions to alter copy, either by addition or subtraction, then the range of such interference, or of the inhibitions which might arise from the possibility of such interference, can be very wide. This will not only arise in trade union matters. In all those political questions on which people feel passionately includ-ing apartheid and race relations, there will also be a temptation for trade unions to use their power in such a way as to inhibit free reporting and free comment. Once admit the principle that pressure can alter editorial decisions and you invite further pressure.

It is for these reasons that we decided that we should print our report of Mr Astor's article in exactly its original form, without addition or subtraction, that we would continue that stand until the article had been printed, and that we would take the same attitude towards the whole of the editorial process. This is not to say that the editorial process itself should not be an open one. Anybody, a citizen, a reader, a member of the editorial staff, a member of the printing staff, a trade union official, an ambassador, a private soldier, a public figure, can come to The Times and by way of letter or by word of mouth put his views or information to us, but he must not come on a claim of power. The editorial process entirely welcomes outside opinion and totally rejects outside pressure.

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In the same year-an annus

mirabilis-Eden's energetic ad-

vocacy arranged a nine-power

conference in London which suc-

ceeded in putting an end to the

allied occupation of Germany

and contrived Germany's own entry unto Nato. In neither of

these conterences might there

The end was sad, and made

Eden's brief ministry the turning

point of British postwar awareness. He succeeded Churchill as

Prime Minister in 1955. The task

would in any case have raxed

him but illness was already

emphasizing deficiencies in the

temperament and the political

touch that was needed. These

faults had not limited his

capacities as a Foreign Secretary,

especially while Britain's world

role was everywhere felt to be

significant. Because of increasing

ill-health they were soon

apparent in the national leader,

lacking a full grasp of home affairs or fully appreciating the

problems agitating a generation

that had grown up in the war

misjudgment over Suez that broke him and ended his career,

an unhappy operation in its con-ception and confused in its aims,

harking back to ideas of an imperial lifeline and strategies

Oriental languages was defeated

by the rising nationalism of that new world. His tenure lasted

only twenty months before his

physical decline forced his

Set against his long tenure in

foreign affairs the Eden of

Downing Street may have obliterated the earlier distinc-

tion. It would be unjust to forget

that brilliance. He was a man of

obvious and now unfashionable

virtues-honour, probity, patriot-

ism-and of a debonair style that

may now be outdated but can

be remembered with pleasure

resignation.

and respect.

the past. The student of

Yet paradoxically it was his

have been success but for Eden's

active and effective part.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Censorship by industrial action

Sir, Recently workers on national nowspapers were presented with a booklet Programme for Action. It set out proposels for the introduction of new working arrangements and technology into the Fleet Street and Manchester newspaper offices. On Wednesday night (January 12) a protest was made over an article

which was to appear on page one of The Times, subsitled "Featherbed tactics in Fleet Street condemoed The arnicle was not complete but an edited version from a magazine Index of Censorship. It is strange that even in an edited version refer-ences to sabotage in machine rooms with all its undertones were left in. We do not wish to be associated with criminal actions.

This is not the time for an obscure personality who has recently lost his editorship to blame everyone but

Whatever action we, the printers, took over the accuracy of the article or our request for a disclaimer over the charge of sabotage, the media would make us wrong; the article was written in this way. Every discount has two resists of view and dispute has two points of view and it is significant that all reporting on Thursday, including radio and television, only gave one point of view and failed to find out the other side of the coin. Was someone trying to prove a

K. P. SMITH, Father of the Chapel, for and on behalf of The Times NGA Machine Managers Chapel.

From the Director of Aims for Freedom and Enterprise Sir, The censorship dispute on The Times and The Guardian, and the Union of Post Office Workers' plans to interefere with communications to South Africa illustrate the point that this organization has been making for several years—that major threats exist in this country to the freedom of the press, radio and television and mass communi

cations generally. We speak from bitter experience; I suppose no organization has had so much experience of overt and concealed censorship. In the 1960s we were one of the first customers to use the Post Office service to deliver uneddressed mail. This immediately caused a strike on the grounds that the postmen did not like our literature, and the Conservative Government suspended the service. In 1974, as a result of pressure by unions, a number of newspapers refused to carry our advertising which said that there was a threat from the extremists in the trade

unions. Our 1974 pamphlet Ban stressed the dangers. In 1974 we pointed out that the House of Lords' debate on press freedom was censored for a week. All other House of Lords' Hansards appeared during that period, but

We reject this explanation. There have, of course, been many cases of the contents of newspapers being affected by trade union pressure; the public are not aware of some of these though courageous papers like Private Ege have at times reported them.

this one was held over, allegedly according to an industrial dispute.

So far radio end television have not been exposed to such pressures, although there have been isolated stances, such as the extraordinary refusal to allow a television camera team to make a falm in South Africa aden Powell's childhood l

The grave dangers are exacer-The grave dangers are exacerbated by the new approach of the Union of Post Office Workers, whose power is now being used to interfere in industrial disputes and to isolate particular countries of whom they disapprove. As it happens, I very much dislike South African spartheid, but I regard the threat to the free world as being much greater from the Soviet Union and China. Nevertheless, I would reject Post Office workers having reject Post Office workers having the right to determine whether I should be able to communicate

with Communist countries. What can be done? First, an all party committee needs to be set up to examine the facts—the threats to communication and from whom they come. Second, we must absolutely reject the syndicalist idea that union members have a right to determine the content of books, films, newspapers and tele-vision and radio programmes. Finally, if the Union of Post Office Workers commues with its present approach, the monopoly powers must be taken away from the Post Office so that we have free mails in this country. Yours faithfully, MICHAEL IVENS,

Plough Place, Fetter Lane, EC4.

From Mr R. K. Morland Sir, Has the Union of Post Office Workers ever taken politically motivated action against the Soviet Union or its satellites?

If not, and it has no plans to do so, can we assume that the totalitarian governments of these countries have the Union's seal of approval? Yours faithfully.

ROBERT MORLAND, 21 Church Street, Hampton, Middlesex.

Doctors and unions

From the President of the Hospital Consultants and Specialists Associa-

Sir, The Joint Working Party on the Ethical Responsibilities of Doctors practising in the NHS deserves credit for identifying a fundamental problem confronting doctors with increasing starkness since 1948. Alas, their conclusions are idealistic rather than practical and there is some danger in suggesting that the profession shares its ethical responsibilities to patients with the state, albeit in the sphere of "macro-cubics" to the population in general.

Government, they say, has a special responsibility not to create ethical conflicts for doctors by pursuing political ends. But governmants always do pursue political ends—as most recently with the Health Services Act, which was an overrly political measure that will not improve the health care of anyone in Great Britain.

And the profession, the working party say, has a special responsi-bility not to create ethical conflicts

its own members. Of course it has, but how otherwise than by legitimate trade union activities can the medical profession protect its collective interests today when every other group of employees seeks to grab what it can by these very means? In a responsible society with a

purely to further the advantage of

responsible government, such concountry today, where Government supports only the claims made by organized trade unions, the only way in which professional men and women can ensure that their services will remain available to the public is by having powerful trade unions to press their interests as well as other bodies to watch over their ethics. Adding yet another layer of consultative machinery will solve nothing.

Yours etc. J. F. RICKARDS, President: Hospital Consultants and Specialists Association. The Old Court House, London Road, Ascot, Berkshire.

Cannabis leaves From Mr D. A. Aitken

Sir, While the Court of Appeal judgment in R. V. Goodchild (January 13) comes as no surprise to those of us who have always advocated this interpretation of the law, it raises a number of issues which require resolution.

The ruling that the leaves of the cannebis plant are not "cannebis" (a Class B drug under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971) is of little value so long as it remains undecided whether or not they constitute (as also suggested by the prosecution) a "preparation or product containing cannabinol derivatives"—a Class A drug under the same Act. The common sense answer to this question is that to place cannabis leaves on the same level as becoin is to make nonsense of the whole scheme of classification which underlies the Act.

The alternative is to hold that cannabis leaves are not controlled under the Act at all. It does not seem to us that this raises any in superable difficulties. Cannabis leaves are specifically excluded from the scheme of international control under the United Nations Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs 1961 and were not controlled by any of the earlier British legislation; as Lord Windlesham, speaking for the Conservative Government, said to the House of Lords on February 9, 1971, "the plant cannabis is not a controlled drug". It is therefore particularly to be hoped that the Home Office and the Director of Public Prosecutions will neither attempt to bring further prosecutions under Class A (with very dubious chances of success) nor bring unduly hasty amending legislation before Parlia-A time when the decriminaliza-

tion of cannabis use is increasingly being adopted in many jurisdictions (including eight states of the United States at the latest count) would be particularly inappropriate for the introduction by the United Kingdom of yet more stringent controls, far beyond those required by our international obligations, especially if, as seems only too likely, no evidence of the objective need for such measures is to be

Cannabis leaves are undoubtedly the weakest of the cannabis drugs; the opportunity now presents itself for an invaluable social experiment in the toleration of what is, after all, the mildest intoxicant known to Yours feithfully.

D. A. AITKEN. for Release, 1 Elgin Avenue, W9. Tanuary 13.

Farmers' incomes

From the Editor of the British Farmer and Stockbreeder Sir, I was dumbfounded to read Hugh Clayton's article on January 10 ambiguously beaded "Statistics needed to disprove charges of profiteering against farmers", and lamenting the total absence of objective information about farmers' incomes. He argued that armers' incomes, the argued that an examination of the state of agriculture based on "official figures, university management surveys of profitability, figures issued by companies which supply materials to farmers, would at least make available information on which escapible information on the state of the same of th which sensible judgments could be

True, but there is no industry which is more fully or openly costed than agriculture. All the requirements Mr Clayton lists here long since been met. Information about farm incomes based upon governments the NETP 20 proceedings. ment surveys, the NFU's 30-year-old farm accounts scheme, based on accountants' returns, information from provincial agricultural econ-

omists, universities' costings surveys, and specialist analyses run by such institutions as the Milk Markening Board and ICI together provide a more complete, detailed and independent picture of both the state and the rewards of British agriculture than anywhere else in the world.

What these figures, and the latest White Paper on the state of

agriculture, show is that while some producers of some commodities potatoes is an outstanding example may have done very well through a combination of the weather and the law of supply and demand, the rewards of risk-taking, physical work and management; physicis is not yet adequate, taking one year—with another, to enable farmers to invest in expansion, help to implement the Food from our own resources White Paper and save still further draughts on our belance of payments.

Yours sincered

Limited.

MONTAGUE KEEN, British Farmer and Stockbreeder Survey House, 1 Throwley Way, Sumon, Survey.

Attitude to women in modern fiction

From Miss Patricia Bishop Sir, One hesitates to respond to the anachronistic illogic of Barbara Cartland (article, January 12), wanting instead to dismiss such irrational drivel with a shrug of the shoulders and a wry laugh. However, since this article has received the large forum given by a prominent spread in The Times, it leserves comment, if not gaping

That Miss Carriand's novels sell

well demonstrates nothing but an appelling lack of discrimination among contemporary readers. It makes no comment about public morality, as Miss Cartland would like to suggest, although it may make some comment about the widespread lack of justice and respect for women in today's society. Respect to women in today's society.
Respect is granted to people felt to be our equals, not to objectified beings who need, according to Miss Cartland, to be coddled, cuddled, and guarded, like a favourite pet, a small child, or a mental defective.

It is also interacting to the that It is also interesting to note that Miss Cartland has a rather one-sided notion of morality, coupled with bad psychology and even worse anthropology. She parodies a sincere sexual ethos when she links morality with fashionability, and when she sanctions mendacious standards of conduct: ie, promiscuous freedom for men and chase confinement for women. She ignores complex psychological motivation in declaring that women want love and men consume sex as they would food. In so doing, she mouths only more degrading, one-dimensional stereotypes: A full ignorance of matrilineal societies and the varied roles of women in history

is also betrayed.

One had thought that such empty and mindless banalities as, is no doubt that deep in the heart of every woman is a yearning to be courted and wooed," had been buried years ago along with other limiting myths about male domin-ance and female passivity. Miss Cartland insults all women when she persists in assuming that they want and need to be defined in terms of men and their relations to men, and not as independent human beings. PATRICIA BISHOP,

26 Drive Road, Linthouse, Glasgow.

From Miss Bridget Kenner Sir, I write us one of the "very inferior women" of recent years to whom Barbara Cartland refers in her article on "Why Virginity is becoming fashionable once more" (January 12). My immediate reaction on reading the article was to ignore it as a bad joke and to to ignore it as a bed loke and to assume that your other readers would do the same. However, given the perennially surprising re-surgence of the views expressed by Ms Cardand, or at least of views which at bottom are very close to them, I feel it as well to give some reminder that most women reject totally the opinions which Ms Cardand lays down as self-evident

Even if one shares her view of extra-matital sex as necessarily immoral and degrading, Ms Cartland's argument is riddled with applies her demand for pre-maritel chastity only to women, who must be the "guardians of morals", while men are by historical right "allowed to be ratish, profligate and icentious". Ms Cartland over-looks the amplications of maintaining this double standard for the two sexes, which requires the existence of a sub-class of the "good-time girls" of whom she writes so contemptuously.

When she postulates a direct link between "vulgar, filthy, degrading pornography" and a recent increase in extra-markal sex (among women, that is), if indeed she makes any distinction at all here. distinction at all between the two. she ignores the long history of pornography, in which many of its most distasteful manifestations have

formed the reverse side of the "high standards, noble ideas and decency" espoused by the superficial prudery of, in particular, the

Victorian era. But of course many people would reject the assumptions underlying Ms Cardand's views that extra-Ms Cartiand's views—that extra-marital sex is disgusting; that ell men want their brides to be virgins above all else, and will indeed worship them if they are; or that if this is so, women will find it an adequate inducement to deny their own sexuality. For, contrary to Ms Cartiand's dogmatic assertions con-cervings medical impossibilities and cerning medical impossibilities and what hes "deep in the heart of every women ", a woman can choose to sleep with men, whether one or many, because she genuinely enjoys

doing so.

Ms Carriand never entertains this possibility, and as a result, it is not clear why she advocates yielding up one's virginity in return for being loved, adored, worshipped. cosseted and protected (her euphemism for marriage) rather than "in return for a dinner or a dance", which she condemns as "a very cheep form of prostitution' is the former course morally preferable, or simply a better

preferable, or simply a better bargain and a socially more accept-able form of prostingion?

Ms Cartland threatens women, if we pursue our reckless course, with the loss of our "mystique". Such a demystification is precisely what we are seeking, for the flattering baziness of the traditional romantic vision has elways served to blur the otherwise study apparent injustices and miseries which women have suffered. I doubt whether any woman tolling under the double workload of an uninspiring underpaid factory or office job, and the unpaid task of looking after house. children and husband, would recognize herself in Ms Cartland's description of the woman placed in a "secret shrine" where she is "worshipped, cosseted and protected.

Despite Barbara Cartland's glowing, best-selling prose, many of us are no longer content passively to inspire Shakespeare and Botticelli and cook their dinners. We have found that we can ourselves be active and creative and, as an essential part of this, sexually hiberated. Yours faithfully,

BRIDGET KENNER Wadham College,

From Miss Carol Gilchrist Sir, With all due respect to Miss Cartland's greater age and experience, I should like to ask whether virginity was really "fashionable" in the past, or whether it was merely imposed on women by a partiarchal society, as being, in the days before contraception, the only way of ensuring a hairly genuine father-son line. The "Romannicism" of this is obviously debatable, and although Miss Caruland's historical past may have drivoped virginal Sir, With all due respect to Miss past may have dripped virginal romance. I strongly suspect the reality to have been somewhat more

down-to-eastb. Miss Cartland's ideas on women's role obviously sell her books, but, like her fiction, they do not reflect real life in which the qualities that make a women a good wife and mother are not necessarily those which make men adore her. Moreover, if I marry a success-

ful man, I imagine that the traits in my character which help his career will be independence and a reasonable intellect, rather than a need to be "loved, advisd, worshipped, cosseed and protected". May I add that, although I am not particularly deprayed, I have seen a certain amount of hard-core pornography, but I have never bought a Barbara Carthaud novel in my life. remain, yours sincerely,

CAROL GILCHRIST, Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford.

Christian names

From Mr I. D. James
Sir, The attached names and their frequency bear an almost similar ring to the annual review of thing to the annual review of baptismal notices in your columns (letters, January 6). Yer tradicion dies hard, for this list comes from an index compiled about three years ago of about 6,500 persons for a genealogical survey of indentured servens who left Bristol for the control plantations of for the cotton plantations of Virginia and the sugar estates the West Indies, circa 1654·1685. John 949 Elizabeth 2 Mary . Thomas

Anne Margaret Richard Robert Edward Joan Sarah 215 Jæne Elinor James 189 177 George Alice Katherine 177 Susan Samuel Dorothy Joseph I am, Sir. yours faithfully, I. D. JAMES, oberly Tower.

Burlington Street, Manchester University,

Dating the Round Table

From Mr John Fletcher
Sir, Christmas viewing was enlivened by the Round Table programme and to be able to identify the period (mid-fourteenth century) of its construction was a notable application of the study of carpentry joints together with radiocarbon and tree-ring analysis.
Yet, for such an important

archaeological relic, undue haste was imposed by the BBC deadline, as a result of which the radiocarbon answer was based on only one analysis. As the answer includes all corrections, even for the posi-tion of the sample on the board (by tree-ring information obtained and provided by Ian Gouriay of the Department of Forestry, Oxford) it is as accurate as can be achieved at the present time; even so the likely date could be in at least three decades on either side of

On the tree-ring side, the tenta-tive date of 1336, quoted as precise in your article (December 21), must also be an approximation in view of its derivation from a ring sequence ending in 1323,
There is nothing inconsistent
therefore in firmly linking the Table
with the formation by Edward III

of a Feast of the Round Table at Windsor in 1344. There is docu-mentary evidence (summarized in mentary evidence (summarized in Archaeologia for 1846) for Knights and Esquires antending the Hastikudes and General Jousts that he held on January 19, 1344, and again in March, 1345. Meanwhile construction in the Upper Bailey of a large circular building to be called the Round Table was begun.

The payment to the Prior of The payment to the Prior of Merton in 1356 for as many as 52 oaks, referred to in Mr Brewin's letter (January 4), would appear to concern this building, rather than a single piece of furniture, and to provide an example of how royal debts in those days sometimes remained unpoid for reasoning the remained to the constant of the content royal debts in those days some-times remained unpaid for years. For after Edward invaded France in July, 1346, there is no further mention of the Fesst of the Round Table, while the building was never completed. The Order of the Garter took its place.

The table now at Winchester may therefore wall be the one invanded

therefore well be the one intended for the Round Table building at Windsor Castle and, if so, derived from cake felled on the Prior of Merton's manor in 1344 or 1345. Perhaps, like the circular building, only the early stages in construc-tion of the circular table were made before the whole plan was stopped. If so, transfer in due course of the timbers to Winchester would not have been difficult. Yours truly,

JOHN FLETCHER everhulme Trust Fellow, Research Laboratory for Archae-o'ogy and the History of Art, Oxford University. 6 Keble Road, Oxford.

First radio commentary

From Mr Robert Hudson Sir, Fifty years ago Captain H. B. T. Wakelam broadcast the first ever BBC Radio commentary. This was on the England v Wales

rugby international as Twickenham on January 15, 1927, England supporters, making their way to Twickenham for Saturday's Calcutta Cup match, may wish not only to remember a great radio pioneer, but also to take heart from the result of 50 years ago-England 11 Wales

ROBERT HUDSON. BBC Head of Radio Outside Broadcasts, 1969-75, Spinney Corrage, Bernard's Heath. St Albans, Hertfordshire.

ke his serious ability in-ficiently appraised. In fact as diplomat and negotiator he

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statesmen. and , was acknowged as such. t was a world where American ver was scarcely at all exerted

people of the Europe of the rites he was in the front rank

I where the imperial era constrated power in Europe. Eden s in his element, grappling h the rise to power of Hitler Germany, with Mussolini's ly, with Franco's emergence in un and with Stalin's grim and alculable domination of the riet Union. For two critical ers his authority was intersted by his resignation in 1938 r Chamberlain's unwillingness take up an initiative of Roose. it's and Chamberlain's own gle-handed intervention in tain's relations with Italy. lifter nearly forty years it may time of the fall of Dien Bien Phu

Your Education Correspondent

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the tidiest and most econoal solution for authorities that not yet reorganized their milary schools".

1 Tower Hamlets we have found

it seems to be a solution to small vel groups in many of our 17 mdary schools and that is a h-form centre where a range of

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the rolls of their schools and ud the centre only for those sub-

s not offered in their own

orns Mrs Shirley Williams as ing, at the North of England roation Conference (January 10)

m Mrs D. Cleere

in January settled nothing about the future of Germany but did arrange the Geneva meeting on Korea and Indo-China in April. There Eden fended off a dangerous proposal from the French and Americans for a major intervention in Vietnam about the

answer for urban areas with th-form colleges falling numbers of secondary school pupils.

Yours faithfully, DOROTHY CLEERE, The Division 5 Sixth Form Centre, 155, East India Dock Road, E14.

Worker participation From the Secretary of the Associa-

tion of County Councils Sir, You print (January 6) a letter from Mr Derrick Williams stating, quite inaccurately, that the Education Act of 1944 specifically requires local education authorities to appoint representatives of their teaching staff to membership of education committees. As is well known in education administration. the 1944 Act, Schedule I, Part II, paragraph 5, in fact states-

"Every education committee . . . shall include persons of experience in education and persons acquainted with the educational conditions prevailing in the area for which the committee acts".

As is apparent from the wording the paragraph of the Schedule, this special arrangement—the need for which many today would seriously question—is not and never was worker participation, or industrial democracy as such, even though there are representatives of the teaching staff, the main religious denominations, industry, commerce and sometimes agriculture, co-opted on to education committees as persons so defined by the statute.

Yours faithfully, A. C. HETHERINGTON. Eaton House. 66A Eaton Square, SW1,

January 10.



COURT CIRCULAR

KENSINGTON PALACE
Jaouary 14: The Princess
Margaret, Countess of Snowdon,
roday undertook engagements in
Staffordshire, and in the morning
opened the new St John Ambulance County Headquarters in
Stafford.

Stafford.

Her Royal Highness was entertained at luacheon by the Chairman of Lichfield District Council
at the Civic Hall, Licafield, and
later opened the Sports Centre
and School Extensions at the
Friary Grange School, Lichfield.

In the evening, The Princess
Margaret amended a Charity Galaheid at Jolless Club, Smke-onTrent, in aid of the Migrains
Trust, of which Her Royal Highmess is Patron. ness is Patron.

Her Royal Highness, who tra-velled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Mrs Jocelyn Stevens.

Princess Margaret will attend a concert by Mr Frank Sinaira at the Albert Hall in aid of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, of which she is president, on February 28.

A memorial service for Lord Forester will be held at All Saints' Church, Broseley, on Monday, January 24, at 2.30 pm.

Birthdays today

Baroness Elliot of Harwood, 74; Sir Peter Garran, 67; Sir Percival Griffiths, 78; Lord Hill of Luton.

Griffiths, 78; Lord Hill of Luton.
73; Sir Harry Jephcott. 86; Mr
John Junor, 58; Mr Harold Lever,
MP, 63; General Sir Roderick
McLeod, 72; Lord Simon of
Glaisdale, 66; Professor H. R.
Trevor-Roper, 63.
TOMORROW: Vice-Admiral
H. T. Baihle-Grohman, 89; Sir
Alastair Blair, 69; Air Marshal
Sir Robert Craven, 61; Sir Claude
Fenner, 61; Professor A. M.
Hunter, 71; Professor Clifford
Leech, 68; Professor Sir Henry
Stewart, 61; Mr George Thomson
(life peer), 56.

Christening

The infant son of Mr and Mrs Nicholas Bourke was christened Julius Hereward by Canon David Edwards at St Margaret's, West-Edwards at St Mangarets, west-minster, yesterday.

The godparents are Mr Charles Jamieson, Mr Michael Clayton, Mr Patrick Libby, Mr Stephen Mitchell, Princess Premila of Rajpipla, Mrs Richard Zatoukal, and Miss Georgina Dennison.

Church news New Dean of Moray

Forthcoming --marriages

The engagement is announced between Michael, eldest son of Colonel and Mrs G. Anderton, of Lenton, Milford-on-Sea, Hampshire, and Robin, daughter of Mr and Mrs W. D. Coulson, of Bodlondeb, Menai Bridge, Anglesey.

Mr F. B. Hancock and Mrs J. M. Willsher
The engagement is announced between Frank Hancock of Beckenham, Kent, and Joan Willsher, daughter of Mrs M. Casborne and the late Mr W. W. S. Casborne, of Highams Fark, Essex.

Mr S. B. W. Samuelson and Miss H. A. Williams ama sits H. A. Williams

The engagement is announced between Simon Berthold, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Samuelson, and Helena Alice, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Williams.

Mr W. J. Townson and Miss A. M. Reed and Miss A. M. Reed
The engagement is announced between John, eldest son of Mr and
Mrs J. R. Townson, of Orchard
House, Bolton, Lancashire, and
Amanda, daughter of Mr E. Reed,
of Peterborough, and Mrs S. J.
Moncur, of Toronto, Canada, and
goddaughter of Mr and Mrs Manwaring, of Wimbledon, London.

and Miss J. M. Wakefield
The engagement is announced
between Paul, third son of Dr and
Mrs S. A. Wrobel, of Burford
House, Chipperfield, Hertfordshire, and Jane, younger daughter
of the late Mr D. F. Wakefield
and of Mrs M. C. Wakefield, of
Smoke Acre, Chew Magna, Avon.

Today's engagements

Caxton exhibition; British Library, Bloomsbury, 10-5.
International Racing and Sporting Motorcycle Show, Royal Horticultural Society Hall, Westminster, 10-7.30 (final day).
London walk: A royal village; Kensington, meet High Street, Kensington, Underground station, 2. High Street. reopened

Tomorrow Exhibition: Sacred Circles; 2,000 years of North American Iudian art. Hayward Gallery, 12-6 (final

day).
International Boat Show, Earl's Court, 10-8.30 (final day).
City walk: Around London Wall, meet St Paul's station, 3.

25 years ago

From The Times of Tuesday, Jan 15, 1952 The recommendations to the The recommendations to the Treasury by the Royal Commission on Awards to Inventors in respect of claims in connexion with the invention and development of radar were made known in London yesterday. Awards to 21 claimants total £94.600, of which Sir Robert Watson-Watt, FRS, receives the largest individual sum of £50,000 for his initiation of radar and his contributions to the development of radar installations. The awards are ex gratia Canon I. W. T. D. McHardy, Rector of St Andrew's, Fortrose, with St Regulos's, Cromarty, and St John's, Arpafeelie, has been appointed Dean of Moray. He will be installed at St Andrew's Cathedral, Inverness, on January 23.

Rettement

The Rey A. W. Rider. priest-inchange for St John's, Ballachullah, and St Mary's, Gluncoo (Arryll and the lists). The awards are ex gratia and are not likely to be subject to tax. The award to Sir Robert Watson-Watt of 550,000 is the largest yet made by the commission to an individual. Sir Frank Whittle received £100,000 in respect of the jet engine, but this was partly made up of the value of shares in the company Power Jets Limited which was taken over by the government.

London Old Fettesian Association The annual dinner of the Lon-

The annual dinner of the London Old Fetteslan Association took place last night at the Naval and Military Club by invitation of Mr K. D. Boyd. The chairman of the association, Mr A. R. F. Sharp, was in the chair and the super of horostram.

snarp, was in the chair and the guest of honour was Mr J. H. Arkell, Headmaster of Fettes Junior School. Among those present were:
Mr R. W. Adam. Mr I. H. F. Findlay, Mr P. P. Ralph, Mr N. S. Campbell. Mr Graham Mular and Mr W. G. M. Michio.

Service dinner

Requiem Mass

Mr R. Speaight Requiem Mass for Mr Robert Speaight was celebrated yesterday by Father Vincent Turner, SJ, at Farm Street Church. Mr John Casson and Miss Joyce Redman read the lessons and Father Peter

Levi, S.J., gave an address. Among trose present were:

Mrs. Spesight (widow). Mr. Crispin Spesight (son). Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Spesight (son). Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Spesight (son). Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Spesight (son) and deughtur-in-law). Mr. and Mrs. Gausson (granddaughter). Mr. and Mrs. Gausson (granddaughter). Mr. and Mrs. G. Spesight (brother and sister-in-law). Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bosworth Smith trother-in-law and sister-in-law). Mrs. P. Hebbiethwalle, Mrs. M. Campbell, Miss. E. Spesight.

The Duke of Norfolk, the Earl and Counters of Longford, Lord and Lady Martin Fizalan Howard. Lord Russell of Killowen, Lord Murray of Newhaven representing the Rector and fellows of Lincoln College, Oxford), the Hon Mrs. Douglas Woodruff, the Hon Mrs. Pollen, Sir Robert and Lady McEwent. Lady Lunn, Lady (Edgar) Bonhard-Carter. Lady (William) Collins (representing Williem Collins) Sons and Company). Lady (Rostrevor) Hamilton, Sir Victor

Dinners

Civil Service Sailing Association
The annual dinner of the Civil
Service Sailing Association took
place at London Zoo last night.
The Commodore, Sir Frank
Cooper, presided. Mr Robin
Aisher, was the guest of honour
and the other principal guests
were Admiral Sir David Williams,
Second Sea Lord and Chief of
Naval Personnel, and Sir lau Bancroft, Permanent Under-Secretary
of State, Department of the
Environment. Civil Service Sailing Association

London Daniel Stewart's and Melyille College Club
The London Daniel Stewart's and
Melyille College Club held their
members' dinner at the Arts Club
last right. Dr Norren Renner was in the chair and the principal guest was Colonel Arthur Bourne, RAMC. Other guests included:
Sir William Henderson. Lieutenant-Colonel John P. Anderson. Leutenant-Colonel William Dictio. Mr Roger Sheeriff. Mr Lan Cordon. Mr W. T. Stevenson. Mr James Hall and Mr I. C. Nellson.

Services tomorrow: Second Sunday after **Epiphany**

ST PAUL'S CATREDRAL: HC, B: M. 10,30. Canon Douglas websiter, TD and Jub (Boyce in C): HC, 11,30 (Darke in F., int. O nata (gr. (Taills)); E, 3,15. Canon O. K. de Berry, Mag and ND (Goss in E). A, Great and marvellous (Tomkins). vellous i Tomkinsi.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY: HC, 8; M, 10,30 (Tallis in Dorian Mode). Destera Domini (Lissus). Very Roy W. F. Clemonts: HC (said), 11,40; Evensons. Schemonts: HC (said), 11,40; Evensons: H Rev D. Hutt.
CHAPFL ROYAL, St James's Palace:
H.C. 8.30: M. 11.15. A. Whence is
that gody fragrance? (Boker). Rev
C. J. A. Hitching.
THE QUEEN'S CHAPFL OF THE
SAVOY poblic welconed: 11.15 am.
Buddeley. The Land, Rev. W.
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Buddeley. Sung Eurharist (Archief Chapel, ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Groonwich (public welcomed): Fig. 8.50. 12: MP, 11. Mgr Francis 5D. 12; Mr. 24; almsley. HM TOWER OF LONDON; HC. 15; M. 11, TD (Hunt), A. O beattm secrostancium diem (Philips), lhe 9.15. M. 11. TD Hunti, A. O beatum et sacrostancium diem (Philips), the criscipstancium (Philips), the criscipstancium (Philips), the property of the Lord (Philips), the distance of the property of the criscipstancium (Philips), the criscipstancium (Philips),

51st (Highland) Division
The London dinner of the 51st (Highland) Division Dinner Club was held yesterday evening at the Army and Navy Club. General Sit Horatius Murray was in the chair and the principal guest was General Lord Bourne. Members present included Brigadier J. A. Oliver, Lieutenant-General Sir Derek Lang and Major-Generals J. Scott-Elliot and H. R. Swinburn. OSVENOR CHAPEL. South Audies:
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19. SEPULCARE, Holborn Vis.
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20. Sepulca Nev D. R. Thurburn-Huelin.

HOLY SEPULCHEE. Holbern Viaduct: Sung Eucharist, 9.15. Canon R. Trideman. TRINITY. Brompton Road: HC. 8 and 12.15. HC (sung) 9. Rev R. 8. Miller; HC (sung) 19. Rev R. 9. Miller; HC (sung) 19. Mille

ST SIMON ZELOTES, Chelses: HC. 8: Parish Commitmion, 11: E, 6.30. Rev O. R. Clarke.
ST STEPHEN'S, Gloricaster Road: LM. 8. 9: HM. 11 Missa sunor Dixit Maria (Rassier), Rev K. Hobbs: E and B, 6. Rev H. Moore, ST VEDAST, Foster Lane: SM 11. Canon. Thrench-Beylagh. Pedite messe pastorale (Sauguel), Mol. Serve bone (Charpentier). (Charpentier).

ST COLUMBA'S (Church of Sentland), Pont Street, SW: 11 and 6.30, New Dr J. Fraser McLuskev.

CHOWN COUNT CHURCH (Church of Scotland), Russell Street, Covent of Scotland), Russell Street, Covent of Scotland; Russell Street, Covent of Scotland; Russell Street, Covent of Scotland, Russell Street, Covent of Scotland, National Miller Scotland, National Country, National Countr

ASSUMPTION. Warwick St. SM. 11 (Lalin: Pontificulis (Perost). Ave Maria (Vertionek): Laudate name Domini (Tyr), Concerto in B Flat (J. C. Waither). wood: SM (Palestria). Crbavit Ulos Contessor (Palestria). Crbavit Ulos Crys). SSEX UNITARIAN CHURCH: 11 am welcomes both theists and human-but (during rebriddes meet at 15. Pronce of Wales Turrace, Kensington. W3).

stock Place: 11 and 5 pm Dr Deniel Jenkins.
CENTRAL HALL. Westminster: 11 and 6.30. Dr M. Barnett.
KINGSWAY HALL. (West London Mission): 11 and 6.30 Rev Lord Soper.
CITY TEMPLE. Holborn Visiduet: 11 Rev D. Holt Roborts: 6.30. Rev B. Johanson.
WESTMINSTER CHAPEL. Backingham Gate: 11 and 6.30. Dr R. Cloments. Stypery J. S. Bedford Street Coveni ST PAUL'S, Bedford Street Coveni Garden: SE, Il. Roy J. Arrowsmith. ST PAUL'S, Deptrord: HM. 10 am, Missa super Cantu Romano (Heredil), Missa super Cantu Romano (Heredil), Jubilate Doo (Rohmann), Rev. N. A. Birtwhistle.

The founder of the 'invisible monastery'

Answer to prayer can never be "proved". But it may be that, in the secret arithmetic of in the secret arithmetic of God, a particularly high score lies to the credit of a French priest who was more than fifty years old and an obscure schoolmaster when he embarked upon teaching all Christiendom a fresh approach to prayer for Christian unity. From January 18-25, 1933, there was held in Lyons the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity on a new basis conceived by the Abbé Paul Couturier. From that occasion developed an "Invisible Monastery", as an "Invisible Monastery", as Couturier liked to call it, which perhaps did more than anything else to change the ecumenical climate. Without it, could the initiative of Pope John twenty-six years later, have found the response it did or Vatican II have been so welcomed far beyond the Roman Catholic Church?

John twenty-six years later, have found the response it did or Vatican II have been so welcomed far beyond the Roman Catholic Church?

The 1933 Week of Prayer had its antscedents. The nearest was an Octave of Prayer for Unity which had been initiated in 1908 by two Anglicans, Spencer Jones, an Englishman, and Lewis Thomas Wattson, an American. Both shortly afterwards became him to the Octave of Prayer Roman Catholics and the explicit purpose of their Octave was of Cardinal Mercier. Counturier cit purpose of their Octave was prayer that all Christians should return to communion with the See of Peter. It was Couturier's perception that so

Old Royal

Baths at

spa to be

By Philip Howard

Plans were announced yesterday to reopen the Old Royal Baths at Bath, so restoring to the ancient spa its therapeutic waters in which people have been soaking their aches and pains since the hot mineral springs and named them Aquae Sulis.

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The hot spring treatment centre closed in December because the Department of Health and Social Security withdrew National Health Service patients to a new physiotherapy unit outside Bath, and because the city council ended its subsidy of £100,000 a year. And for the first time in nineteen centuries it became impossible to wallow in Bath waters.

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The Bath Spa Trust was accordingly formed and registered as a charity with the purpose of bringing back the waters to Bath. The council has given the trust the royal bath and the slipper baths behind it at a peppercorn reut, as well as a contribution of £20,000. The trust intends to reopen them as centres for treatment, sociable soaking, and tourism, and so to maintain Bath as a spa.

The enthusiasts and addicts of

the NSPCC.

Mrs Mary Elizabeth Elshaw, of Budleigh Saiterton, left £56,589 net. She left all her property equally between the British Home and Hospital for Incurables, Streatham, and the Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

Mr Edward Haycock, of Stour-bridge, left £68,853 net. After personal bequests he left the resi-due to the RSPCA.

Other estates include (net, before duty paid; duty not disclosed); Campbell, Mrs Elsie Muriel Rope, of Eastbourne . . . £108,179
Drake, Miss Ellen Jessy Brockle-hurst Millington, of Chelsea

Murray, Mr Archibald Baird, of Warninglid, Sussex ... £300,450
North, Mr Richard Coulthurst, of Carnforth ... £552,889
Strathalmond, Lord, second baron, of Basildon, former managing director of BP ... £199,781
Tonge, Mr Christopher, of Broadstone, Dorset ... £120,405

Latest wills

and tourism, and so to maintain
Bath as a spa.

Yesterday, in the magnificent
Old Royal Bath, which is the
architectural symbol of Bath's
fashionable prosperity, the trust
launched an appeal for £250,000
to restore and repair the historic
building and maintain the establishment until it begins to pay for
itself with fees from patients.

The Hot Bath was designed by
the younger Wood in 1773, the
only Bath corporation building
for which he was responsible. It
was modified by Decimus Buron,
who built the Athenaeum in
London, and the junction was
modernized by Alfred Taylor in
1925.

The enthusiasts and addicts of
the stream of the local appeal, said yesterday:
"Reopening the hot spring treatment centre is vital in medical,

the enumerators and addicts of the trust argue that immersion in hot mineral waters must be brought back to Bath for medical and economic as well as conservationist reasons. The intention patients, and will become a constitution of foreign currist that the baths should at first be opened to fee-paying patients.

Mrs Madeline Isabel Bolteux, of Woodgreen. Hampshire, left E20,000 to Hastings chess

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Draws decided in

Job creation inquiry

The social services and employment subcimmittee of the House of Commons Expenditure Committee, under the chairmanship of Mrs Renée Short, is inquiring into the job creation programme. Submissions are invited in as brief a form as possible, and should be sent to: The Clerk to the Subcommittee,, Social Services and Employment Subcommittee, House of Commons, London SW1.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:

Mr Robert Blackledge, aged 55, chief adviser on education for Witshire, to be chief education officer in succession to Mr John

Officer in succession to Mr John Everett, who retires.

Mr Frank Partiugion, aged 49, fire master at Fife, to be chief of the Hereford and Worcester briancia family 4.

gade from April 1.

Correction

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Mr Frank Evans, district secretary of the AUEW at Neath, and Mr Brian Lymbery, of Bangor, director, Prince of Wales Committee, to be members of the Welsh Advisory Committee of the Independent Broadcasting Authority. Mr Ian Scott-Hill, a director of British Airways, to be chairman of the Royal Aero Club in succession to Mr Philip Wills. Mr Christopher Simpson and Mr Frederick Marsh to be vice-presidents.

The following have been appoin-

to be vice-presidents.

The following have been appointed to posts in the Commonwealth Secretariat:

Mr H. M. Lanch-Shyllon. of Stora Leone, to be director, administration:
Mr M. Malhoutra of indigenterior, international affairs to be director. International affairs office: Mr S. J. Stellini, of Malla, to be assistant director, international affairs Mr A. V. Layday, of Britain, to be assistant director, international affairs. Mr A. V. Layday, international affairs. Dr B. Carbado, international affairs. Dr B. Carbado, and Carbado, an

It was erroneously stated in The Times on December 21 that one result of the "loose trading agreement" between Sotheby's and Hemy Spencer & Son of Reiford, as at Bearnes of Torquey, would be the extension of the buyers' premium to Spencer's sales. In fact, Bearnes jutroduced a buyers' premium in August, 1975, before its association with Sotheby's started.

ment was to redefine the pur-pose so that all Christians could conscientiously share it What came to be known as the Week of Universal Prayer for Week of Universal Prayer for Christian Unity was based upon the formula, "to pray for the unity of all Christians according to the will of Christ and by the means which He wills". In that form, and under the tireless and self-effacing enthusiasm of Paul Couturier, the Week of Prayer became more and more widely observed in the twenty years

observed in the twenty years up to the death of the Abbe in 1953, and it continues still. Paul Couturier was born in Lyons in 1881. He trained for the priesthood and, having stu-died science at university,

of Cardinal Mercier. Couturier copied and treasured these words from the Cardinal's "testament"—"In order to be united we must love one

Love, knowledge, meetingthose three words sum up the method to which Paul Couturier gave himself without stint for the rest of his life. I met him at the time when as Secretary of the Faith and

as Secretary of the Fath and Order Commission, I went to Lyons to discuss how the World Council of Churches' concern for Christian unity could be more closely linked with his own concern for ecumenical prayer. My ineffaceable memory is of the intonation with which he spoke of Christian love "La charité la nation with which he spoke of Christian love. "La charité, la charité, c'est tout," he would repeat, and he spent himself in efforts to ensure that love should lead to meeting so that separated Christians might know each other at the deepest levels. Year by year he arranged ecumenical meetings. The smaller and more personal the smaller and more personal the better. Gradually the Ortho-dox in Europe and commercial Protestants (especially the Reformed Church in France) were drawn in.

The war years were hard for Coururier. He suffered deeply from the knowledge that his work was suspect by many in authority, although his loyalty

defined it could appeal only to another, to love one another he was imprisoned by the Geralimited number of non-known one another, to mans. As they dragged him Roman Christians. His achievement was to redefine the purmeet one another."

In the was imprisoned by the Germans. As they dragged him from his house, he exclaimed loudly on the pavement, "I love Germans but I have the Gestapo". Peace brought freedom to continue his mission and he greatly rejoiced to see in 1948 the first assembly of the World Council and would have rejoiced even more in the changed attitude, in the decade after his death, of his own Church towards "the separated beethern"

Shortly before he died, he was authorized to publish a paper he had prepared privately 10 years earlier and regarded as his "ecumenical testament". He starts from the prayer of Christ in John xvii. "prototype of every prayer for unity" which was always central to his thought. Towards the end of it be wrote: "Visible Christian Unity will be attained when the praying Christ has found enough Christ tian souls of all communions for him to pray freely in them to his Father for unity. The silent voice of Christ must sound forth in the voices of all his baptized."

seems a weary platitude, as the novelty wears off and the achievements seem meagre. as a Roman Catholic never The hidden and resolute pas-wavered. Presumably because sion of "the Invisible Monas-of his international contacts, tery" is still needed. The hidden and resolute pas-

Change urged in higher education overseas

By David Walker, of The Times Council, provided there were Higher Education Supplement safeguards for academic inde-Proposals to reorganize the British Council to give it exclusive responsibility in coordinating higher education links overseas have been made by a committee of senior academics led by Sir Michael Swann, chairman of the BBC and former Principal of Edin-

burgh University.

In a report to the Inter-University Council for Higher Education Overseas (IUC), which links universities with institutions in the former colonies, the committee said the division of responsibility for those links was unsatisfactory.
It recommended that the IUC should merge with the British exchanges.

pendence and for retaining the expertise built up by the IUC's permanent staff. The report will be received by the Ministry of Overseas Development, which provides 53m a year for the IUC and is anxious to end administrative untidiness.

The committee which has the vice-chancellors of four universities as members. wanted to keep the IUC as it was and came to its conclusion reluctantly.

The report to be published soon, will be circulated to interested groups such as the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and government departments involved

Schools 'debate' criticized by teachers' leader

By Our Education

Mr Samuel Fisher, chairman of the National Union of Teachers' education committee, yesterday criticized the Govern-ment's "debate" on education as a publicity exercise at best or, at worst, an attempt to control the curriculum.

Mr Fisher, a left-wing mem-ber of the NUT, joins Conserva-tives such as Mr Rhodes Boyson, junior Opposition spokesman on education, in criticizing the eight regional conferences the Department of Education and Science is arranging next month

that the conferences were worrying and extraordinary because at each of them about 120 representatives of parents, teachers, local education authorities, industrialists, trade unions and the department would have less than an hour in which to discuss the whole range of the primary and secondary school

curriculum.
His union welcomed the nationwide debate, but only if it was a serious and informed discussion, not 2 jamboree of inaccurate or malicious gossip
about the scools or a manoeuvre
by Civil Service "mandarins"

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through a manner which
accurate at King often chose to call "frivolo
Edward VI School, Stourbridge As a teacher he wore
and Keble College, Oxford, scholarship lightly, but he

Science report

Ethology: How ants offer food to appease attackers

By trapping ants in baby-food jars after having fed them with radio-actively labelled sugar German biologists have been able to discover how the native ant species of Florida survived the introduction of the highly aggressive fireant from Brazil in the 1930s.

Members of the Brazilian species are placed in the glass jars with the native ants and the sugar can be traced by its radioactive label in the stomach of the instuder after the encounter.

Ants are well known for the complexity of the social relationships among the members of their own species. It seems from the observations of Dr A. P. Bakhtar and Dr W. J. Kloft that it is an

Yesterday was a free day in the Ladbroke Premier chess tournament in Hastings, but two adjourned games from round 14 were agreed drawn without further play (Harry Golombek writes). Those were between Kaplan and Vukcevic, and Kraidman and Whiteley.

The placings now, with one round to go, are: Romanistin 104, Kagan 9, Tarjan 8, Adorjan, Miles and Smyslov 71, Damisanovic 63, Farago and Zwaig 6, Vukcevic 51, Kaplan, Kraidman and Rumens 5, Webb and Whiteley 41. and Dr W. J. Kloft that it is an adaptation of one aspect of social cooperation within an ant species that has enabled the Floriden Solenopsis geminata and Pheidole dentata to survive the belligerent Resellies intruder Brazilian intruder.

The social interactions of ants

have recently attracted extention because of the analogies which Edward O. Wilson, the American Edward O. Wilson, the American ethologist, has drawn between the reasons for the evolution of ent behaviour and the possible causes of various kinds of aggressive and cooperative behaviour in humans. Although human behaviour is much more complicated than that of ents, both are dictated by the renulcement for survival.

Because the pressures on ant cultures are easier to analyze than those on human cultures, biologists have been able to gain important insights into the evolutionary forces at work in fashioning complex social structures.

The behaviour Dr Bakhtar and Dr Kloft saw when they put the Floridan ant species in a jar with the Brazilian Solenopsis innicta cousisted of the proffering of food by the native species to the fire-ant. The effect of that behaviour seemed to be to ward off the fire-ant's attack, and the vigour of the food-proffering increased with the vigour of the fire-ant's aggression aggression.

aggression.

Food exchange between workers of each of the native species is common, and is preceded by various ritual movements, but is not associated with physical attack. The adaptation of that behaviour as an appeasing gesture to a more aggressive species may have developed in order to enable the three species to coexist in the same environment.

By Nature-Times News Service Source: Nature, January 13 (265, 140; 1977) © Nature-Times News Service,

OBITUARY

MR ANTONY GILKES

Former High Master of St Paul Mr A. N. Gillies, a former any difficulties. His reign High Master of St Paul's School, notable for great improve

vesterday, aged 76. Antony Newcome Gilkes was born in 1900, the son of a distinguished Master of Dulwich College, went to Christ Church with a classical scholarship, and decided to follow his father's profession. His first post was at St Paul's, where he quickly made his mark in and out of the classroom,

In 1920 he went to Upping-ham, where he became House-master and Classical Sixth-form master, and was for two years during the war OC the Rutland Army Cadet Force. It was bere no doubt that his faith in the public school system, with its communal life centred on the school chapel, was strengthened and deepened. In 1946 he be-came Headmaster of Dean Close where, a deeply religious man, be was in full sympathy with the school's evangelical tradition.

Today, ecumenism often for Harrow in 1953, Gilkes was a weary platitude, as the a natural choice to fill the vacant Highmastership. After his years at Dean Close he found some difficulty in adapting his style to the more loosely knit community of a great metropolitan school with few boarders, and his touch was at first too rigid, but his kindness
and courtesy in personal relaships and his imperturbable survives him, and they have courage carried him through

died at his home in Sherborne in the interior appearanthe buildings and for the bration in 1959 of the anniversary, marked by a from the Queen and I Philip.

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From St Paul's he we 1962 to become Director then Public Schools Ap ments Bureau, where laboured to forward, as i Dean Close days, cooper between schools and ind and was tireless in his to firms and schools.

He found time for w and for many outside er ments: with the able so of his wife he constant dulged his love of hospit he served on many command several governing b An excellent speaker w fine presence and strong he was much in deman sermons and prize-addresses. He kept abre-developments in educa thinking, but by in reached back to the value an earlier generation, a spirited defence of the schools (1957) showed. same impulse to defent Christian heritage inspire Faith for Modern Man and The Impact of the Sea Scrolls (1963).

BRIG SIR JAMES GAULT

Brigadier Sir James asked Gault to stay on. (Frederick) Gault, KCMG, MVO, agreed to do so for six m OBE, who died yesterday at Ridgway had, however, a Hemingstone, Suffolk, at the age of 74, was General Eisenhower's military assistant and Supreme Headquarters friend during the future President's periods of service in military assistant's work Europe.

They first met in North Africa during the war, and, for the campaign in Sicily, Eisenhower chose him as his military assistant; he served from then in Italy and in North-West Europe, Their relationship was cordial: Gault was a most efficient officer.

In 1951 General Eisenhower was named Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, and at his request Gault, by then in civilian life, took up again the duties of military representa-tive and personal assistant to Eisenhower.

Towards the end of 1952 Townshend, daughter of Eisenhower, when President tenant-Colonel Thomas delect, was succeeded as Supreme the Marchioness h

agreed to do so for six m. Ridgway had, however, a likely to be much resu Gault left France for ci life again.

James Frederick Gault to Eton and Trinity Combridge, joined the Guards in 1939 and serve the Middle East before going Africa. He became a bright in his second paried of second paried paried of second paried p in his second period of se and was knighted in 195. was awarded the Order c Legion of Merit (USA). His first marriage, in

to Margaret Ella Campbel dissolved; there were no ren. In 1960 he ma secondly Elizabeth Marchi Allied Commander by General divorced the 7th Marque Matthew B. Ridgway, who that year.

DR PHILIP CARTER

Mr B. D. Dance, headmaster of ter, Mr R. R. Pedley, he St Dunstan's College, writes : The death of Dr Philip Hugh

Carter at his family home in West Hagley, Stourbridge on January 5, at the age of 44, will sad news to generations of lively and enthusiastic Old Dunstonians, and to his many friends throughout the world.

and in March to discuss the to replace professional control curriculum.

He told a meeting in London to replace professional control academic career, culminating in bighest standards of achi a DPhil in chemistry, after rement. Keeping himself in c search under the late Professor touch with the latest deve J. W. Linnett and Professor Sir ments in his subject and ele Ewart Jones, FRS. In 1957 he FRIC in 1966, he attracte followed his father into school-mastering, joining the staff of St Dunstan's College, Catford. succession of distingui-speakers to St Dunstan's wi the dinners which he organ He spent his teaching career at became a notable feature.

St Dunstan's becoming successively head of the chemistry department, senior science master, senior sixth form tutor and, in 1971, second master. After the death of the then headmass. the death of the then headmas- work.

acting headmaster for than a term in 1973.

Philip Carter will be re bered with affectionate re by all who came into co with him as a warm-hea whose genuine concern for gentleness towards others si

MR HENRY DAVIS Mrs Mirjam Foot, assistant printed books to the New keeper of The British Library, versity of Ulster at Coler

Mr Henry Davis, CBE, the well-known book collector, died on January 10 in his eightieth vear.

Upon leaving school he fought in the army at the end of the First World War. After the war he joined the family cable-making firm, of which he became managing director at an

He and his wife were among the founder members of the Glyndebourne Festival and remained enthusiastic and gener-ous patrons to the end of their

early printed books, manuscripts and in particular decorated bookbindings, and he acquired one of the most valuable and interesting collections in private hands in Britain. In the pooktrage and libraries. He was an extremodest, kind and generous who did a great deal of the able work in an unobtrage and who was much to the private hands in Britain. In the pooktrage and the private hands in particular decorates. in private hands in Britain. In His wife died in 1
1968 he presented the early leaves two daughters.

and his outstanding collec of bookbindings to the Br Museum Library, the most portage gift received by museum since 1910. To n his bindings available to wider public, he gave British Library a showcase which a changing selection his collection is all to be displayed. The m scripts were presented to Fitzwilliam Museum at (bridge in 1975. He was awa a CBE in 1973. He was a thoroughly k ledgeable collector, who prepared to back his own j Shortly before the Second to take advice from ext.
World War he began to collect both in the booktrade an

Law Report January 14 1977

Possession of cannabis leaves not an offence

Regina v Goodchild

Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief
Justice, Mr Justice Talbot and Mr
Justice Slynn

Justice Slynn

Judgment delivered January 13]

Where a person in possession of a part of the cannabis plant is charged with unlawful possession of cannabis, the test whether the material in question is cannabis is not that cannabis resin can be extracted from it. The prosecution must show that the material was part of the flowering or fruiting from the police found in a car in which the appellant had been travelling, five hand-

Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Talbot and Mr Justice Slynn [Judgment delivered January 13] Where a person in possession of a part of the cannabis plant is charged with unlawful possession of cannabis, the test whether the material in question is cannabis is not that cannabis resin can be extracted from it. The prosecution must show that the material was part of the flowering or fruiting tops of the plant, not merely that it consists of leaves and stalks of the plant.

The Court of Appeal so held in allowing an appeal by Kevin John Goodchild, aged 19, of Biggin Walk, West End, Fareham, against conviction on indictment at Portsmouth Crown Court (Judge Norman Brodrick) of unlawful possession of cannabis and possession of cannabis with intent to supply, contrary to section 5 (2) and (3) of the Misnsc of Drugs Act, 1971.

An application by the prosecution for a certificate that a point of law of general public importance was involved in the case was adjourned.

Section 37 of the Act provides:

"(1) . . . 'cannabis' (except in

the expression 'cannabis resin') contained the active chemical con- and the leaves contained som

stituents of cannabis resin. The prosecution contended that

the statutory definition of cannabis included the whole of the aerial plant. The defence submitted that cannabis leaves without more were not within the definition. The trial judge held as a matter

of law that "the flowering and fruiting tops" applied to the whole of the plant from above the ground. He felt that if that were ground. He felt that if that were not so it would be impossible to know if an offence had been committed until the material had been analysed and it had been ascertided that the leaves contained portions of the flowering or fruiting tops of the plant. Since resin was found throughout the plant in varying degrees of strength, he found it impossible to believe that Parliament had not included all the leaves.

In the light of that ruling the appellant pleaded gullty to possessing cannabis. The trial continued on the count alleging supply and he was convicted.

There was much to be said for the judge's ruling. If, as appeared to be the case, the smoking of cannabis leaves was now prevalent cutions.

Court of App

the required active chemical is dients, it was not easy to see the statute should not include leaves. "from which the resin has been extracted". He said the resin could be extracted from material then that material within the definition. It could extracted from the leaves all therefore they were covered.

That approach entirely ign the principal words "the fig ing or fruiting tops". Those wappeared to be words of limital they did not at first glance indit the whole of the plant above ground. They suggested that twere parts of the plant which stituted the flowering or from tops as opposed to other above or below the ground. In the judgment of the court therefore they were covered.

In the judgment of the courtest was not simply could came resin be extracted from the a rial. It must be shown that material in question was par the flowering or fruiting tops

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THE EARL OF AVON

A brilliant foreign secretary whose premiership ended prematurely

5 to January 1957 died yes-

is long, distinguished, and ningly serene political career extinguished in a violent m of hostile criticism. It had n one of his cares to insulate a none of his cares to insulate a possing policy as much as possing policies. So successful was a chis that he was regarded unusual trust and respect enis opponents in Parliament in other lands. Yet his coper and November, 1956, poked the most bitter public heroversy of recent years, her his health nor his repu-in survived it. He resigned i office a very sick man it was generally thought, holicy in ruins, The noise of bridden and precipitous fall wired for a time the high ie nation and to the cause orld peace. But when the has settled they will stand as clearly as before.

a young man, first in ge of League of Nations rs and then from Decem1935, as Foreign Secretary.

A LES GALLI irm and upright principle
ast an inglorious internaal background To one man,
by Winston Churchill, "there
will be done strong young figure
adding up against long, dismal
reling rides of drift and surtime fire of wrong measurements ler, of wrong measurements feeble impulses. And n the news of Eden's resigon in 1938 came to him. "I t confess that my heart sank the dark waters of despair

whelmed me ". During the for most of which Eden For most of which Eden
Foreign Secretary again,
h of his work was overlowed by the unfolding of
egy and he himself by the
t personality of his Prime
ister. After 1945 his pracof constructive opposition
and to accurate the constructive strength of British policy. ign Office his diplomatic rience and flair were de-ed to the full. His annus bilis was 1954. The year whi a solution to the Trieste lem, an end to the fighting ndo-China, and the consolion of western European nce after its disruption had threatened by the French tion of the European nce Community. In these achievements Eden diplonow patient, now swift tion, was paramount.

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e Rt Hon Sir Robert ony Eden, KG, PC, MC, of Avon and Viscount of old North Country with a history of public e on both sides. His father, Villiam-Eden, was a quickered eccentric, who coming with a passion for the er, a daughter of Sir Wil-Grey, was renowned for beauty. To one parent ony Eden owed a love of es, to the other good looks. as educated at Eton, which ft in 1915, at the age of o join The King's Royal Corps. Serving on the aptain, was awarded the and when the war ended cting as brigade-major. In he entered Christ Church, d, where he read oriental ages under Margoliouth Dewhurst and took a first in Arabic and Persian. 1923 he married Miss ice Beckett, daughter of ervase Beckett. There two sons of the marriage. first stood for Parliament 2, when he unsuccessfully ymoor. In the 1923 electe was successful as Conive candidate for Warwick eamington, defeating the ess of Warwick (wife of ifth earl), who stood for u, and he held the same

who as Sir Anthony Eden Government came into power in 1931, Eden was made Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, at the War Office were a criti-In 1932 he first attended the cal time for his country and a Assembly of the League of Nations as a British delegate, and began the period of service and championship of the League which made his reputa-tion in Britain.

On January 1, 1934, he was promoted to be Lord Privy Seal, continuing to devote himself primarily to the League and disarmament. It was as advocate for new British disarmament proposals that, a month later, he visited Paris, Berlin, and Rome. This European journey gave Eden a chance to meet the two dictators who were to be his adversaries for the next 10 years. Hitler, new to power, was relatively subdued. A year later when Eden saw him in com-

pany with John Simon, the Foreign Secretary, he was fulminating against the Russian bogy. Eden moved on to Moscow alone making the first Moscow alone making the first call by a British Minister since the Revolution. In June, 1935 Baldwin took over from MacDonald and a reluctant Eden continued his duties under a new chief Sir Samuel Hoare, though the title of his office was changed to Minister for League of Nations Affairs for League of Nations Affairs and he was, at the age of 37, given a seat in the Cabinet. This uncomfortable duplication, which amounted to having two Ministers in the same Government responsible for foreign affairs, was much criticized at the time but was not destined to last long.

The Abyssinian crisis was blowing up, and one of Eden's first tasks in his new post was to pay another visit to Rome in an effort to buy off Mussoliza by offering him territorial concessions in Abyssicia, which in its turn was to be compensated by cession of the port of Zeila in British Somaliland. Eden himself was not enthusiastic about the plan, and Mussolini understandably even less so. Neither this meeting nor the efforts of the League Council, in which Eden took a promi-

ment part, slowed up prepara-tions for the war on which Mussolini had long before decided. When the bombs began dropping on Abyssinia sanctions were imposed on Italy by the League, but there were few in the British or French governments who, like Eden, were prepared to accept their full implication. The fiasco of the Hoare-Laval Pact followed. ironically, as Houre himself was incapacitated by a skating tumble in Switzerland at the time when the terms of the pact became known, it fell to Eden to defend them in the House of Commons, though his own first wish on hearing them had been to resign. In fact, inevitably, it was Hoare who, on December 18, resigned and Eden who four

days later succeeded him as Foreign Secretary. The two years and two months during which Eden first held this office were a time of gathering gloom on all sides. Hitler's reoccupation of the Rhineland, Mussolini's victory in Abyssinia, the Spanish civil war and foreign intervention, and Japan's penetration of China were some aspects of the world crisis with which he was called upon to deal. No Foreign Secretary would have found them easy. Eden's task was greatly complicated because he Eden's task was ras a young men en an old Cabinet, most of whose mem-bers lacked his knowledge, percipience, and courage. Bald-win, who spoke little in Cabinet or outside on international topics, gave him broad support. With Neville Chamberlain, who

succeeded Baldwin in May, 1937, his relations were more The policy of appeasement carried on largely by Chamber-lain himself in collaboration with his confidents inside and outside the Cabinet—Lord Hatifax (Lord Privy Seal) and Sir Horace Wilson, who had been installed in Number Ten in the role of special adviser—cut across Eden's own endeavours.

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These were summed up in a
note he dictated in September,
1937: "There are those who
say that at all costs we must
avoid being brought into opposision with Germany, Japan and
lealy. This is certainly true, but
it is not true that the best way
the cred such a state of affairs. to avoid such a state of affairs is continually to retreat before all three of them." It was over negotiations with

one of them, Mussolini, that the break came. Chamberlain was determined to open talks with the Italian dictator, and rightly regarded Eden as an obstacle to nis plans. On February 19, 1938, Eden resigned.
There were many who hoped

that, after his resignation, Eden would take the lead of all those in all parties who shared his belief that Chamberlain's policy of appeasement meant disaster. This he refused to do, but he came to preside over regular meetings of 20 to 30 like-minded Conservative MPs, including: Duff Cooper, L. S. Amery, Harold Macmillan, and Lord Cranborne (later Lord Salisbury), who had been his Under-Secretary and had resigned with nim. The mass of Conservatives showed no sympathy with his views, or with him for dividing the party over them. This breach with the mainstream of the party was never wholly healed.

When war broke in September, 1939, Eden was recalled to the Government as Secretary of State for the Dominions, but without a seat in the War Cabinet. This position was remedied when Churchill

he Earl of Avon, KG, PC, rlain). When the National acknowledged successor of Churchill should he disappear. The seven months Eden spent satisfying time for Eden him-self. The evacuation from Dun-kirk, the reconstruction of the of the Home Guard, and the reinforcement of Middle East Command, were all fields where a wrong decision could have brought catastrophe. Eden was a powerful advocare for the generals—Dill, Brooke, Wavell in whom he had confidence but whose abilities were, it Churchill's eyes, unproved. Wavell's desert victories in December, 1940, were a per-sonal justification for Eden. On succeeding Halifax at the Foreign Office, the first part of the world to claim his attention was the Balkans. Greece was successfully resisting Musso-lini's invasion, but Hitler

threatened to come to his ally's help. In the middle of February, 1941 Eden, accom-panied by the CIGS Field-Marshal Sir John Dill, flew out to see what aid could be given Greece and whether neutral Turkey and Yugoslavia could not be persuaded to form, with the backing of Britain, a united Balkan front against the Axis. The decision on how and when which Eden and Dill had to take on the spot. Like all decisions which lead to defeat it has been much criticized. Eden, how-ever, remained convinced that it was right. To have left unaided another country covered by British guarantee would have been a base act. Moreover. though Turkey remained our-side the battle, the Yugoslav coup d'état of March 27, which. on Eden's instructions the British Ambassador in Belgrade (Sir Ronald Campbell) had been authorized to encourage, upset Hitler's timetable. The subse-quent Balkan campaign delayed

the attack on Russia by more than five weeks. In December Eden went to Moscow to resume acquaintance with Stalin, now a comrade in

Responsibilities during the War

controversies two, in particular, lay beavy on him from beemning to end. These were, argument with the Russian Government over the Poles, and with the American Government over the French. Both involved Eden in frequent classes with his own Prime Minister. For the Polish Government in Extle, first of Hitler's victims, he fought energetically in London, Moscow and at the three-power conferences of Teheran, Yalia and Potsdam. He did not wish "to throw the poor Poles to the Russian wolves", but as the Red Armies pushed west, there was limb he could do to Party. prevent the subjugation of Poland and the rest of eastern

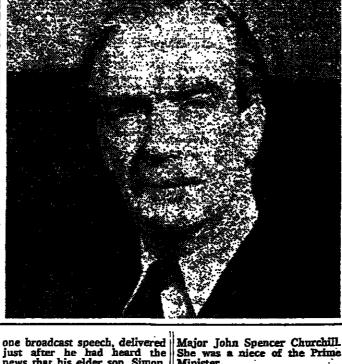
Еигоре. Neither Churchill nor Roose-vekt viewed de Gaulle in the same light as Eden to whom it fell on general occasions—over the Darlan affair, for example, and the recognition of the French Committee of National Liberation—to point out the dangers of underestimating de Gaulle's authority for the future

role of France.
It was over France that relations between Eden and Churchill became most strained, and there were times when both even gloomily contemplated the possibility of rupture. These moments never lasted long, but the public which saw in Eden only the loyal lieutenant of a dominant leader—and it must be added, the public which has confined its reading to Chur-chill's own memoirs—neces-sarily ignored the hidden argu-

Eden had been at Churchill's right hand through all the major wartime conferences— Teheran, Casablanca, Quebec, Cairo, Moscow, Washington, Yaha, Potsdam—as well as visiting Moscow and Washington by himself. At Christmas 1944, he accompanied Churchill to Athens in an attempt to con-tain the civil war in which British troops had been compelled to intervene, and after four days of intense negoriation all parties, except the communists, agreed to accept Archthe left wing of the Labour Party and by many Americans. was defended in the Commons by Eden in a speech showing more than his usual pugnacity. a close, and though Eden was obliged to take an increasingly pessimistic view of Russian in-tentions he had equally to plan the machinery of postwar co-operation. In May, 1945, he led the British delegation to San Francisco where final shape was to be given to the Charter of the United Nations. "Whether we like it or not", he told the assembled delegates, 'we are now one another's neighbours. . . . Either we must find the way to order our rela-

war. Our work here may represent the world's last chance." At home the political parties were becoming restive. Labour teft the coalition, and Eden remained as Foreign Secretary in the caretaker Government which was to carry on the nation's business until the general election on July 5. But T, and he held the same remedied when Churchill formed his coalition government in May, 1940, and Eden the began in 1926, he became Parliamentary 2 Secretary to the Foreign with official recognition, the began that the began in 1926 with official recognition, the began that the began in 1926 with official recognition, the began during the by tacit understanding and larer was out of action during the wife on the grounds of desertion (Ste died in 1957), married with official recognition, the

tions with justice, or we shall soon head for another world



just after he had heard the news that his elder son, Simon, a pilot officer in the RAP, was missing, believed killed, in Burma. Such a breakdown was scarcely surprising. In addi-tion to the work of his Ministry, and the constant travelling it involved (at a time when air travel was still rough and hazardous), he had been a memsmall Defence Committee (both "the exhausting eccentricity of hours dear to the Prime Minister") and, from November, 1942, Leader of the House of

Eden recovered sufficiently to go with Churchill and Attlee —who had wisely been invited —to Potsdam. They returned after 10 days to hear the re-sults of the election declared on July 26. These results, which swept the Conservatives out and Labour into power, possibly surprised—and certainly disappointed—Eden less than many Conservatives. He was tired by five years of "work" and yet more work" and saddened by his personal loss. He felt defear more for Charlillahea for his personal Churchill than for his party or himself. However, he kept his

customary large majority at Warwick and Leamington, while refusing the King's offer of the Garter. Bevin succeeded him as Foreign Secretary—a choice of which he thoroughly approved —and Eden, the Labour Gov-ernment having squashed the proposal that he should become first Secretary-General of the United Nations, withdrew into six years of Opposition. During

Party.
When the election in the autumn of 1951 returned Churchill and the Conservatives to power by a narrow majority, Eden again became Foreign Secretary and Deputy
Prime Minister. It was a world
still ruled by the Cold War.
The conflicts in Korea and Indo-China were unresolved, and Britain had her own special troubles in Iran, where relations had been broken off following Moussadek's nation-alization of the oil industry, and Egypt, where a corrupt monarchy and its ineffectual servants, in a bid to recover popularity, had just denounced the Anglo-Egyptian treaty of 1936, which had been one of the more durable achievements of Eden's first period of office. His first journey, however,

undertaken only a few days after assuming office, was to the sixth session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York. It was the first of these gatherings he attended, and he listened with pained amazement to one of amazement to one of vysa-insky's tirades against the West. In his own deliberately muted reply, which had considerable effect, he called for a fresh start in international relations by taking up limited problems, starting with the small ones the area of agreement. His next attention was Europe, where the project for a European Defence Community was run-ning into difficulties. Eden was bishop Damaskinos as Regent no more prepared than had and to submit the question of the return of the King to take part in any sort of to a vote. This settle European federation. His oppoment, bitterly attacked by site number in Paris, Robert Schuman, explained that he was unlikely to be able to get the French Assembly to approve the EDC unless it was accommore than his usual pugnacity. panied by a firm guarantee By this time the war in from Britain. After Churchill Europe was clearly drawing to and Eden had talked in Washington with President Truman and his Secretary of State, Dean Acheson, as well as with Eisenhower at Nato headquarters, it was agreed to give an Anglo-French undertaking against any threat "to the integrity or unity of the Com-munity". He went to Paris in May, 1952, for the issue of this declaration and for the simultaneous signature of the EDC treaty and the contractual agreements whereby Germany regained control of her own affairs. The pattern of Eden's diplomacy was in this way illustrated—intimate association with America, close cooperation with France, and the reintegration of Germany within a precise European frame-work—all this, it was hoped, enabling the west to negotiate

from strength a working agree-

Minister. Another situation in which

Eden made step-by-step consultation with the United States his guiding rule was the oil dispute with Iran. Hitherto, he felt, Moussadek had been able to play off the British and Americans against each other. that, whatever his shortcomings might be, he was the last Eden advocated firmness, while any opening that might lead to a new diplomatic initiative. As things turned out, it was due mainly to action on the spot and to his own folly that August, 1953. But subsequent efforts to pick up the pieces and get the oil flowing again also required much skill and

The year 1953 brought an world. Eden's old General Eisenhower, altered was installed in the White House, and in March Stalin died. Whatever these changes might mean Eden was, by a buffer of fare, unable to profit from them. For some time he had been suffering from internal pains. In the previous sum-mer he had jaundice. That April his condition worsened. He underwent two operations, the first on April 9 and the second 20 days later, for chronic inflammation of the gall bladder and for the removal of fluid which later exacerbated that condition. These gave no real this period he played a part improvement, and on the advice scarcely less important, though of his doctors he was flown to tell, who had made a lifetime study of this surgery, performed a third and successful operation. In all he was out of action for six months, not returning for work until October 5. While he was still absent, Churchill suffered a stroke. Mr Butler and Lord Salisbury held the fort for their sick superiors, and these were in full vigour again when, on December 2, they met with Eisenhower and Dulles in Bermuda to concert plans for a meeting with the

Postwar SUCCESSES

January 4, 1954, was fixed as the time, and Berlin as the place, for the meeting. Molotov, Dulles, Bidault, and Eden were the four Foreign Ministers involved, and the future of Germany the main theme. The to-and-fro of argument covered familiar ground but produced no positive results. The western proposals, which were presented by the British spokesman and so became known as "the Eden plan", provided for free elections in both halves of Germany, followed by the cal-ling of a National Assembly and the signature of a peace treaty. more calculated to impress the Germans than persuade the Russians, and no amount of argument would convince Molotoy that it was not a device instead of only part, would be linked to a defensive organiza-

tion that was embattled against communism. One agreement that was reached in Berlin was to hold a further conference at Geneva on Indo-China and Korea, where France was fighting a losing war against the communist Vietminh. Eight years of hostilities had drained her of money and manpower, and now the strong gazzison at Dien Bien Phu was beleaguered. The Americans were contemplating massive air strikes from naval carriers as a means of giving support to the French and preventing the overrunning of all south-east Asia by communism, which they foresaw as a conse-quence of a French collapse. Eden was alarmed both by the diagnosis and the proposed remedies. He feared the American intervention would lead to parallel action by the Chinese, making. The Geneva conference began on April 26 and dragged on until the end of July, when armistice agreements signed for Laos and Cambodia as well as for Vietnam. The result was a compromise, both sides staying more or less put in their existing positions, and as such unpopular in many places, particularly in America. But if politics are the art of

No sooner was this burdle another. By the end of August the EDC was dead, killed by a vote in the French Assembly.

Western policy, as it had evolved over the past three years, seemed to be in ruins, and the time tipe for that "agonizing reappraisal" of American policy which Dulles had threatened the winter before if the French falled to ratify EDC. It fell to Eden to ratify EDC. It fell to Eden to pick up the bits. He reached the conclusion that there was now no alternative to the entry of Germany into Nato, with safeguards. These, he thought—and the idea came to him, as so many other good ones have done, in the bath—could be based on the Brussels Treaty of 1936, which had been primarily decimal to the second of designed to meet the same fears of German aggression which were responsible for France's new hesitations. Once the inventhe suggestion to Washington. but without waiting for an answer, he flew in quick succession to Brussels, Bonn and Rome, ending up in Paris, where serious objections were most likely to be met.

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His five days' canvassing tour was emirely successful;

America was favourably impressed by Eden's brilliam initiative and its results, and the outcome was the summoning in London at the end of September of a Nine Power Conference, attended by the Foreign Ministers of France. Germany, United States, Britain, Belgium, Italy, Canada, Holland, and Luxembourg. Eden, who had been elected chairman, was able to announce, to the immense surprise and gratification of those present, his Government's wilngness to maintain on the maintand of Europe the effec-tive strength of the United forces currently essigned to the Supreme Allied Commander in Europe four divisions and a tactical air force—or whatever SAC EUR undertook not to withdraw these forces against the wishes of the majority of the Brussels Treaty Powers (subject only to the understanding that an acute overseas emergency might oblige withdrawal without prior consultation). Among the other points agreed was an under-taking by France, Britain, and the United States to end the occupation of Germany, the admission of Germany and admission of Germany and Italy to an enlarged Brussels Treaty system, the admission of Germany to Nato, and Ger-many's promise voluntarily to limit her production of arms. The conference was acknowledged to be a great personal success for Eden—the result vigorous initiative and diplomacy. Further

recognition was to come—on October 20 the Queen created him a Knight of the Garter. By the end of October the Trieste dispute, which had poisoned relations between taly and Yugoslavia since the end of the war, had been settled. Eden's part in this, though effective, had been minor, but he necessarily played a leading part in the second settlement signed on October 19, whereby British troops were finally withdrawn from the Suez Canal area in exchange for a civilian base which could be reactivated in the event of war or the threat of war. This agreement bitterly assailed by the "Suez' group" in the Conservative party and by the Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt, but was welcomed by the mass of opinion in both countries. Nasser spoke with as much hope as Eden of the new area of friendly cooperation that seemed to be opening. Cer-tainly at the end of 1954 Egypt was not one of the remaining clouds in an interpational sky which, thanks largely to Eden's efforts, looked bluer than for

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The long expected transfer of power took place in the new year. On April 6, 1955, Churchill resigned and Eden kissed hands as Prime Minister. He was 57, and the man he was replacing 80. He could reasonably hope for a good innings, if his health held out and he retained the confidence of his party and people. The main doubts heard at this time were whether his training had not whether his training had not been too specialized. Did he, in spite of the speeches he had with increasing frequency been making about a property-own-ing democracy, really under-stand the domestic problems of an industrial nation? Would he, after 30 years as a negotiator and 15 as crown prince, be able to generate the authority which must go with leadership? The first big decision he had to make proved his judgment sound. Although Parliament was only in its fourth year, he decided to ask the Queen for a dissolution and at the election held on May 26 the Conservatives increased their overall 17 to 60.

majority in the Commons from During the election campaign Eden followed up the proposal which, for two years or more, had been so dear to Churchill, of a Heads of Government meeting with Russia, a "supreme effort to see whether more progress can be made with the main differences between east and west". The Russians proved willing, and the rendezvous was fixed for Geneva in July. Eisephower, Bulgamin, Eden, and Edgar Faure (who was at that time

the atmosphere was genuinely cordial, and "the spirit of Geneva" was subsequently more as a form of incantation than policy when ever international tempers grew

touch es Prime Minister was less sure. He never managed to give the impression of understanding economics, though he spoke much of the dangers of inflation. In 1955 there were in effect chree Budgets, the last of which, introduced by Mr But-ler on October 26, relied on the familiar and unpopular restraints on expenditure such as rises in indirect taustion and a curb on loans to local

Eden and his Foreign Secretary, Mr Selwyn Lloyd, sailed to America on January 25, 1956, for talks with President Eisenhower and Mr Dulles. Eden was worsted by the com-numists' bearing of the anti-colonialist drum, for instance during the visit to India by Bulgamin and Khruschev. Nor did he like the look of things in the Middle East, where Nasser's arms deal with Czechoslovakia had just been concluded. He hoped to see a common declaration of purpose by the two governments which would show the world that the West had its own message to give. In fact the talks, though friendly as usual, produced no striking results, and when they turned to the affairs of the Middle East showed an ominous divergence of approach. Three months later he acted as host to the Russian leaders, Bulganin and Khrush-chev, whom he had invited at the time of the Geneva summit conference. They stayed for 10 days, and in the course of many talks on many subjects Eden told his guests blumby that Britain depended on her Middle East oil supplies and would light to keep them. He believed

this warning was remembered when the would stood on the brink later in the year. But Eden's leadership had, by now, become the subject of some doubts among his own followers. Disappointment at the lack of success of the Geneva Summit, continued disorders in Cyprus and the Middle East, and the continued underlying weakness of the economy all conspired to give an air of uncertainty to the Prime Minister's actions. The test was soon to come. On July 26, following the withdrawal of an offer by America, Britain, and the World and his Prime Minister, Nuri al-Said, Nasser's old adversary. lenge to international legality as flagrant and far-reaching as Hitler's reoccupation of the Rhineland. Twenty years earlier the lesson had been ignored; now there would be stopped, if necessary by force, and if necessary by Britain alone. The first task, however, was to consult with friendly governments, particularly those of France and the United States. The French, who had become convinced that Nasser's aid to the Algerian rebels was the greatest obstacle to a successful conclusion of the war there, were willing and eager—indeed, they would have been prepared for immediate military action, had that been possible, and the necessary forces been ready. which they were not. The American Government, on the other hand, was horrified by the prospect of force, and Dulles, when he flew into London on August 1 (Nasser's speech had caught him in Peru) took a cautious and legal view. Never-theless, he said that "a way had

were not the only words Dulles had to say on the subject. Indeed, during the weeks of continuous negotiation that followed it was the uncertainties of America's attitude that caused Eden as much anguish as anything else. First came a conference in London attended by 22 nations principally con-cerned with the use of the Canal. This opened on August 16, and at its end, when 13 of the nations had supported a declaration calling for future operation of the Canal to be in the hands of an international board. Eden was able to telegraph to Eisenhower thanking him for "the outstanding qual-ity" of Duller's speeches and "his constructive leadership": The resolution of this conference was taken to Cairo by a mission headed by the Austra-lian Prime Minister, Mr Menzies, and there unavailingly explained to Nasser. On September 7 the Menzies talks in Cairo broke down, and Eden told Washington that Britain might wish within 24 hours to entered the House of Commons, announce the decision to go to at the age of 26, in 1923. Thus the Security Council. Dulles could not support the proposal. In its place he produced a new idea—a "User's Club", of as many of the London conference powers as possible, who would sail their ships together through the Canal, employing their own pilots, collecting dues and passing on a just proportion of them to Egypt. Eden was prepared to

to be found to make Nasser

disgorge". These words, said Eden, "rang in my ears for

Unfortunately for Eden these

Mendès-France, who showed reached, but in private discuss back their rights with force, himself willing to grasp the sion the two sides became more This Eden assumed, and his nettle, and Eden, who displayed directly aware of their common whole edifice came crashing to ingenuity and persistence of war. At any rate, the ground when on September This Eden assumed, and his whole edifice came crashing to their part the United States did not intend to shoot our way through " the Canal, "It would be hard", Eden wrote in his memoirs, "to imagine a state-ment more likely to cause maximum allied disunity and dis-BITZY.

Though the case against Nasser was argued at the Security Council the British and French Governments were from this point forward increasingly concerned with military prepara-tions. After the fighting was over there was much debate over the extent to which—if at all—Eden was aware of the secret consultations that had been going on between the French and the Israelis who, as the circuit in the Middle Feet the situation in the Middle East deteriorated and Nasser's build-up of arms progressed, had been planning a preventive war. The charge of collusion was denied by Eden and other Government spokesmen. Nevertheless M Pinezu, who at that time was French Foreign Minister, subsequently stated that he broached the question of collaboration with the Israelis to Eden proved a written agreement by which Israel would attack in Sinai, the RAF would attack the Egyptian Air Force on the ground, and an Anglo-French ultimatum to both Israelis and Egyptians would call on them to withdraw from the Canal, which would then be the scene of intervention by an Anglo-French expeditionary force.

The Suez Crisis

Whatever may be the unpublished British version of events, this in fact was the pattern which unfolded during the last days of October. Israel mobilized on October 27, and her troops entered Egyptian territory on the evening of Octo-ber 29. The same afternoon Eden informed the House of Commons of the ultimatum being delivered to both sides, and explained his Government's purpose as being "to separate the belligerents and to guarantee freedom of transit through the Canal by ships of all nations". The Labour Opposition, which immediately after Nasser's act of nationalization had been no less resolute for action than the America, Britain, and the World
Bank, to finance the High Dam
at Aswan, Nasser proclaimed to
a deliriously cheering crowd in
Alexandria the nationalization
of the Suez Canal Company. The
news reached Eden while he
was entertaining to dinner at
Number Ten King Faisal of Iraq
and his Prime Minister Nuri
less resolute for action than the
Conservatives, had swing away
from any endorsement of force,
and now assailed the Government with a bitterness of feeling seldom seen in the Commons since the days of the Irish
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and his Prime Minister Nuri Speaker had to take the unusual course of suspending the sitting for half an hour. Meanwhile, as bombing of the Egyptian airfields continued and the iuvasion fleet sailed eastwards from Malta, feverish efforts, led by Canadian Foreign Minister Lester Pearson, were being made at the United Nations beadquarters to arrange a ceasefire and to create an international force to move into the area. At dawn on November 5 British and French parachutists were dropped on Port Said. At midnight on November 6 while they were still only half way to their objectives at Ismailia a ceasefire came into effect.

Eden was to claim many things for the Suez intervention —that it had prevented a war from spreading, that it had that it had exposed Russian plans in the Middle East, and that it reinforced peace. was blocked, the oil pipelines blown up, the Commonwealth on the point of breakdown, the remains of British influence in the Middle East destroyed, and the British and American governments barely on speaking terms. In spite of all this, Eden never faltered in his conviction that his policy had been right. "I thought and think that failure to act would have brought the worst of consequences", he wrote in his memoirs, "just as I think the world would have suffered less if Hitler had been resisted on the Rhine." He was confident the verdict of the future would bear him out. Whatever this may be, Suez, like Munich, has passed into the folk-lore of historical place names. The strain of these weeks on

and on November 9 he gave a vigorous defence of his actions at the Lord Mayor's Banquet. But Suez had exacted a severe toll on his health. Though he hoped that a three week winter holiday in Jamaica would restore him to fitness his recurring abdominal symptoms continued to give cause for concern. Eventually on January 9 in the new year he tendered his resignation as Prime Minister. Shortly afterwards he resigned his seat for Warwick and Leamington, which constituency he had represented since he first ended his parliamentary career, which had lasted for 33 years. during 18 of which he had held high office. From 1960 Eden began to

Eden had been immense, but he

appeared to have survived it.

Circle; Facing the Dictators; and The Reckoning and extracts from these volumes appeared in The Times. In the summer of 1961 an

like the scheme, more particu- earldom was conferred upon larly because it was an American one. He was also prepared earldom to be offered to a retirto sell it to the French, who ing Prime Minister but, for by then were impatiently pressing for military action. Yet it felt he could accept the honour But if politics are the art of the possible it was a successful days going over the familiar compromise, credit for which should be shared between the new French Premier, Pierra armament. No agreements were would, if necessary, have to Eden.

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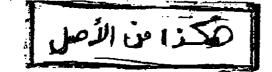
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Record £1,250m ap stock nims to stabilize ilts yield

t it is anxious to maintain a gross redemption yield works ate pace in bringing down out at 14.38 per cent. erest rates when it announa record £1,250m offer when the Government had to

time being at 14 per cent. eady been clearly signalled 1976-77 financial year. the Bank through the way which it had provided assistne to the discount market lier in the week. But it is still · lely expected that there will ortly be a further cut in .R. which has been coming wn in quarter point drops ce it was raised to a crisis el of 15 per cent early in

The market also took the fact it the coupon on the new easury stock had been cur to l per cent as a clear sign of ck. which was exhausted at end of last week, carried a per cent coupon and had en offered on a gross redempn yield of 15.4 per cent. in the short term, however,

new stock—the largest gle tranche of Government ck ever offered—is clearly signed to peg yields at the cations totalling £2,311m.

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ierr Horst Krenzler, leader

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external relations, added he was aware Japanese

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al talks today and yesterday was confident that their

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n April next year Japan will roduce the strictest emis-1 control laws in the world,

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i further signal was given longer end of the market. At the the Government yesterday issue price of £96 per cent the After last year's experience,

fong-dated Government stock raise interest rates significantly alightly above the rates of to enable it to continue its arn obtainable in the gilt heavy funding programme, the rket just shead of the Government now appears to be aiming at a controlled reduction in yields to enable it to mainy stock came shortly after tain as a smooth pattern of Bank of England had indi- funding for as long as possible ed that its minimum lending -albeit that sales of stock e will remain unchanged for totalling more than £6,000m since mid-September will alhat MLR would be left un- ready have covered its specific inged for the moment had funding requirement for the

The major speculation now is whether this new long-dated "tap" stock will be followed by the issue of a new short dated stock next week. The last issue of short-dated stock, Exchequer 121 per cent, 1981, was totally sold out on Thursday, when the £600m issue attracted applications of more than £1,000m.

Dealings in the new stock

started yesterday and it immediately went to a substantial premium, closing at its best level of the day, £1 9/16 above the issue price at £97 13/16. Other shorts were firm, but trend to come over the next long-dated stocks slipped back months. The last long-dated after the announcement of the new 1993 issue to close with falls of up to £1.

Meanwhile, conditions remained tight in the money markets, with overnight rates moving as high as 18 per cent

and the Bank of England again providing exceptionally heavy assistance over the weekend. This week's £300m offering of Treasury Bills attracted appli-

apan expected to defer new emission

om Peter Hazelhurst which will almost bar Euro be given a unique three-year

April 1 next year the figure will be reduced to 0.25 grams

for new cars and existing models will have to conform to

the strictest standards by April

The European Community-

absorbed by Europe in 1976-

has protested that the new

emission standards amount to

After meeting Japanese officials, led by Mr Michio

Hashimoto, a senior director of

Japan's environment agency,

during the past two days, Herr Krenzler said he was extremely

hopeful that existing European

models would be given a leeway of four years, and new European cars would only

have to conform to the stan-

dards three years after the regulations come into force. "Personally, I think we will

ontrols on European cars until 1981

init officials, representatives limit exhaust emissions to 0.6

m the European Economic grams of nitrogen oxide per mmunity declared tonight kilometre for light cars. On

the EEC delegation, said it which exported only 26,500 cars

: expected that the Japa- to Japan last year in contrast officials would report to the 500,000 Japanese cars

the month. Herr Krenzler, a new non-tariff barrier.



Mr Brian Salmon (left) chairman of J. Lyons & Co, at yesterday's signing of the hotels deal, with Sir Charles Forte, chief executive

Trust Houses adds the Westbury to its hotels

By Patricia Tisdall by Strand, the J. Lyons hotel Trust Houses Forte subsidiary, which is now left announced yesterday that it is buying four hotels for more than f3m from the New Yorkbased Know Hotels Corporation. The hotels are the West-burys in New York and Lon-Arms in London. Collectively, the four have a total of 1,540

The company has also now completed the takeover of 35 of J. Lyons hotels in Britain and Ireland effective from the end of this month. Due to be completed on January 1, the deal was delayed for what were said to be "technical reasons" and full details on how THF will finance this £27m deal are still awanted.

believed to have included provision for 400 of J. Lyons administrative staff employed

on-tariff barrier.

"They agreed to send a mis-

sion of inspectors to examine testing facilities in Europe in

October last year. But we were

"During the last two days we

were gratified to learn that the

results were positive, and all tests of European car exports to Japan will be carried out in

Europe from April this year.

"Quantifiable tests will be

not provided with the results.

The staff have now been cold that THF has agreed to offer over 200 people virtually identical jobs to those they hold don, the innernational at Ken-identical jobs to those they hold nedy Airport and the Pickwick with Strand. Some of the rest will be offered different jobs but with equal or benter pay and conditions. The remainder will be offered short-term employment for up to four

> The acquisition of the Strand hotels greatly increases THF's representation in central Lon don where previously, although on where previously, although larger overall, it had lagged behind rival groups such as Grand Metropolitan. Altogether, Strand gives THF a total of 234 hotels and 23,300 bedrooms in Buttain, of which 14, containing 6,600 bedrooms, are in central London.

Leyland storing cars in delivery strike deadlock By R. W. Shakespeare

By R. W. Shakespeare

British Leyland faces problems at two of its largest Midlers at two of its largest Midlers and car plants after the week. kyo, Jan 14

After two days of hard barining with Japanese governmarket.

pean car producers from parperiod for both existing and
ticipating in the Japanese mew models, he declared.

Japanese government officials land car plants after the weektion that the testing of car exports to Japan could be carried out in Europe. Herr Krenzler said: "We asked the end because of a continuing strike by car delivery drivers. Leyland is storing cars within plans, but space is limited Japanese last year if they were and production may have to be epared to test European cars CUL SOOIL in Europe, because the former-practice of inspecting cars in Japan was considered to be a No completed vehicles are

beeing moved out of the Rover and Triumph assembly plants at Solihull and Coventry because of protest action by drivers employed by a contrac-tor, James Car Deliveries. The delivery company handles shipment of about 85 per cent of vehicles made at the two

plants.
The trouble arises from Leyland's acceptance of pressure from its dealers and franchise holders to allow other delivery concerns access to the Midland

Protection deemed necessary for the survival of many industries

NEDO chief urges curb on imports

Sir Ronald McIntosh, director general of the National Economic Development Office, said yesterday that he would favour certain import restrictions in order to protect some home industries.

He mentioned electronics as an example of an industry that could disappear unless it was protected. I would be very happy to see it buttressed by mport restrictions ". Sir Ronald, who was address

ing a conference on industrial strategy called by the General and Municipal Workers' Union, believed it would "need a 10-year pull to get to grips with the basic problems" towards restoring Britain's industrial competitiveness.

"It needs joint action and a stable policy background with less chopping and changing than we have had over past years", he said. Changes in government should not be allowed to interfere with this

No progress

on Meriden

objective.
Mr Varley, Secretary of
State for Industry, said the

Government's industrial stra- handed down to those whose here which we have tegy would be a long haul. actions Britain was "clearly past the happens stage" where it could hope to "And rely on macro-economic policies to get the economy right. He outlined the decline in Britain's economic and social

expenditure performance, which, he said, was worse in the United Kingdom than in other industrialized countries. "The fact that the United

Kingdom economy has performed relatively poorly over a long period is not in dispute, he said. "The performance of our manufacturing industry has been at the beart of these dif-ficulties."

The recent pressures on the pound, the corrective measures refusal of the world economy to recover quickly had all served to underline the importance of a flexible approach which could be adapted to changing circumstance

"We have avoided the belief that industrial strategy was something that could be worked out at top level and

determine happens", he said. And we have abandoned the mirage that growth could be created by a consumer-led

There was a credibility gap concerning the role and in-fluence of the sector working parties (SWPs) which were parties (SWPs) which were established to provide a dialogue between management,

unions and government in 41 important manufacturing areas. There were, Mr Varley said, many aspects of an industry's situation which could be usefully discussed and investigated at sectoral level among the three parties with a view to reaching a greater degree of COUSEDSUS on what needed to be done to overcome obstacles

and grasp opportunities.

"Those who do not sit on
SWPs should be ready to above all to do what they can to see that recommendations and objectives agreed at sector level are translated into action in individual companies.

There is a credibility gap

what come to demonstrate that the strategy is more than talks but can really change things. There is disappointment that the work is not linked more closely to planning agreements."

Both sides of industry should recognize their common interest in raising industrial efficiency, output and sales.

Mr David Basnett; general secretary of the GMWU, said: "I am rather perturbed that so many of the sector working parties, at the end of their first stage, came up with recommendations which, in effect, amounted solely to a

lobby to alter the price code. "While the TUC recognize a few specific instances in which the price code might have to be relaxed, any blanket relaxa-tion of the kind the SWPs SWPs should be ready to were advocating is contrary to respond to consultations and TUC and GMWU policy." If it could turn SWPs from talking shops into provokers of real action, whether at company, government or plant level, then the union would have made a real achievement.

aid request By Derek Harris A further exploratory meet-ing on putting together a rescue

for the Meriden motor cycle cooperative, called by Mr Lever. Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and the Prima Minister's economic adviser, ended last night with few signs

of progress.
Mr Alan Williams, Minister of State for Industry, and his departmental advisers still appear to feel that the Government cannot put up a further £500,000 to enable the cooperative to buy trading and market-ing assets from NVT Motorcycles.
The department apparently

regards as a major additional contribution its offer to sub-ordinate the £4.2m government loan to all other creditors.

It has refused to advance a total of fim as requested by the cooperative. The extra 4500,000 is needed for development spending; but given the Government's loan subordination there are hones this could tion there are hopes this could

group.

Mr Dennis Poore, chairman of NVT, who attended the meeting, offered to have the trading assets on Triumph motorcycles that the cooperative wants to have out but to

tive wants to buy out put to independent valuation. He said: "I still do not see why the Government cannot put up the money for buying those assets, because we would then immediately pass the cash back to them to redeem part of the Government's preference hares in NVI. They wouldn't lose a penny.'

One worry in securing deve-lopment cash financing for the cooperative is that the Government's in-depth study by Mr Lever and Mr Williams could mean a reassessme subordination offer.

Mr Dell sees growth in Iran baster deals

By Maurice Corina Industrial Editor

A tired but cautious Mr Dell, Secretary of State for Trade, yesterday returned from dis-cussions in Iran and confirmed that civil exporters and contractors might have to do more Admitting that the extent of Iran's interest in promoting oil-for-goods deals is not clear, Mr Dell said he had obtained the impression that certain big proects were likely to involve

He said there was no reason why bartering oil to win business in Iran was a dis-advantage; Britain was well equipped to undertake such business.

However, the British Government would want to consider various questions relating to the extension of barter trading to civil exports from the area of

military business.

"If it is on a commercial basis, I would not see any objection." Mr Dell added that he had explained that any bartering must be on a realistic commercial basis, whatever it meant for the price of oil and

Mr Dell, speaking shortly after flying back from a series of talks—including the fifth session of the Anglo-Iran Joint Ministerial Economic Commission and an audience with the Shah—claimed that Iran was fairly confident of continuing with a rate of growth in double

figures. His impression, however, was that the Iranians wanted a steadier, more manageable rate. There would be some change in priorities, and the emphasis would be on infrastructure, leaving industrial development (excluding oil, gas, and steel) to its private sector. A doubling of Britain's exports, now £500m year, was not impossible over the next five years.

Mr Dell emphasized that a great deal of business would be

done on a cash and credit basis. But it was clear the Iranians were interested in the possibiliwere interested in the possibili-ties of barter, and some big public-sector contracts might

have to be on that basis.

When questioned, Mr. Dell seemed less sure of the situation. Whether the Iranians thought barrer would be extended to the situation. tended to the private sector was not clear. He expected quite a bit of business to be done on the traditional basis. Various problems arising from the practical experience of British exporters were raised with the Iranian representatives. He felt there was a helpful response and that serious notice would be taken of certain matters he had raised.

The Government has already accepted the principle of barrer-ing oil in the military equip-ment area, but Mr Dell was unable to comment on the difficulties encountered over various defence deals. Controversy surrounded the

last time a significant oil-forgoods barier deal was an-nounced for civil exports, in January, 1974. Mr Peter Walker and Mr Barber, the then Chan-cellor, negotiated the supply of five million tons of Iranian oil for £110m worth of goods. It was said at the time that British industry was not keen on the

Part of Mr Dell's problem is to retain the enthusiasm of British industry for exporting to Iran. There has been undoubted success, even though the volume of trade fell last year. But experience has been chastening for some concerns, with no shortage of grievances. If the new dimension of barrering is to be added, the Government will have a hard task holding the interest of companies. Oil companies, who must take supplies which are higher priced than from other sources after the Opec price split, will need persussion by Whitehall.

FNFC calls on Bank after £31.3m loss

First National Finance Cor-

poration, the secondary bank built up by Mr Pat Matthews, who resigned last year, has suf-fered yet another heavy loss. From a net deficit of £17m at the halfyear stage, the ziling company has now reported a full year loss to the end of October of £31.3m. To avoid the virtual elimina-tion of its remaining capital,

FNFC has also had to go back to the support group of the Bank of England and the clearing banks for additional help. The support group has agreed to treat £12m of interest owing on income loans as interest on deferred loans. The effect of this technical change is important since without it FNFC's residual capital would have been reduced to only £1.4m—a tiny base to support an overall balance sheet total of £265m. As it is, the company's published capital is £13.4m, down from £25.1m the year before. But there remains a deficit on shareholders' funds of £72.3m

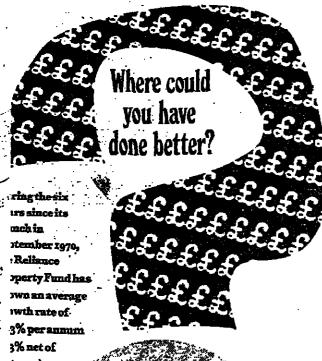
compared to one of £41m the year before and FNFC is now payments. The loss is the third running to be declared by FNFC. It follows a net deficit in 1974-75 of £79.5m and the year before that one of £9.5m. Moreover, the

company foresees further difficulties in the present year. Its problems were exacerbated by the sharp rise in interest rates, and it has already provided £1.5m to take account of the further rise since its year-end. The company notes that the business outlook re-

mains "obscure Adverse trading factors have included the difficulty of sell-ing securities at the right time and price, chiefly because of continued problems in the property market, and the decline of the pound,

carried out by European inspec-tors and non-quantifiable tests will be carried out by Japanese inspectors, who will travel to In brief Europe. This is a very positive step. We were also informed that the

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1.500 more jobs at Linwood Chrysler is going ahead with

programme to provide Europe with Japanese inspectors had

aiready been included in the draft budget."

plans to recruit 1,500 more workers at its Linwood plant in Scotland, despite union opposition.
In letters to the 6,500 labour force at Linwood, the company

start on April 18. However, 3,000 Transport and General Workers' Union men at the plant have refused to agree to double shift working unless

Lisbon, Jan 14

as a sign of restoring a com-

Lisbon stock exchange, closed

down after the 1974 revolution, is to be reopened for all kinds of transactions on February 28, the Socialist government an-nounced last night.

The step generally received a welcome from Portuguese business circles. It also raised hopes among those holding shares in the nationalized sec-tor, who until now have been unable to sell.
Dr Mario Soares, the Prime Minister, gave a pledge when he took office last July the

activate the stock exchange, considered by leftwingers after the revolution as a symbol of the "bad capitalism" of the Caetano era.

In political terms it is seen

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Camberra loans ban Australia is to restrict over-

seas borrowings by Australian companies from January 17.
Overseas loans of less than two years are banned, and companies borrowing for more than two years for most nurses. two years for most purposes will have to lodge a deposit with the Reserve Bank, equal to about 25 per cent of the

France to hold petrol prices down for month

The French government has creased before mid-February,

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sources at the Industry Minis try said yesterday, despite the rise in oil prices agreed re-cently by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries. The government is waiting until oil loaded in Opec countries arrives at French re-fineries before it fixes the size

> Coffee plea rejected President Alfonso Lopez, of

of the rise. The difference in the crude price rise by some Opec members also made fixing a level difficult.

Colombia, who called for a special meeting of coffee-producing countries to agree to a price freeze, has been turned down by Brazil, apparently refused to allow the price of under international pressure, petroleum products to be in- informed sources said in Bogota

British Rail in The Times index: 153.35+0.10 The FT index: 363.9+0.6 tough talks on THE POUND oil freight prices Bank

By Michael Baily Tough negotiations are taking place between British Rail and the oil industry over renewal of oil freight contracts entered into in the Beeching era 10 years ago at what BR privately admits were over-generous

The railways are looking for sharply improved profitability rather than a big expansion in carryings, now about 17 million

already been signed, and yester-day Phillips Petroleum signed n similar lines. Negotiations are under way

include Shell, BP, Esso, Amoco, Conoco, Gulf, and Elf. In terms of value oil and petroleum are one of BR's smaller freight businesses, worth around £19m last year.

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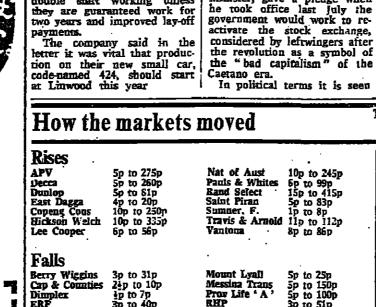
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\$131.625 an oz. \$DR-\$ was 1.15900 on Thursday, while SDR-£ was 0.677350. Commodities: Reuters' index Gilt-edged securities fell back in late trading. Sterling closed five points lower at \$1.7110. The "effective devalua-tion" rate was 43.1 per cent. Gold closed 50 cents lower at closed yesterday at a 1,587.4 (previously, 1,585.4) Certmore On other pages Bank Base Rates Table

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Do you know when you joined your scheme?

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scheme managers, the amount Some schemes give an extra you are to receive will norsmally depend on both your pay and your length of service. I have considered in recent weeks how "pay" for pension purposes may differ from the "pay" you actually receive: so, too, may your service for pension purposes differ from the acrual length of time you working for your

The commonest difference is the exclusion of short periods at the beginning or end. I referred some weeks ago to the variations in practice about the date employees enter schemes. There is no reason why credit should not be given for a period of service before you actually enter and start paying contributions, but many schemes only count the length during which you belong to the scheme.

In some schemes, you may be admitted for the purpose of death benefits as soon as you join, but not for pension purposes until some later date. If this is the case, it shows that the scheme authorities and the employer have thought about the problem, and this may have led to the inclusion of the extra period for pension purposes too. On the other hand, there are plenty of schemes in this position which count service only from the date of entry for pension pur-

There are two ways in which excluded periods may Many schemes, for arise. administrative reasons, admit members only on one fixed date each year. There will then be a period of anything up to a year—how long is a matter of chance—from the date of entry to the employer's service up to the annual entry date for the scheme

As the period in question cannot be more than a year, and it is easier for the scheme to ignore it, it has been quite common practice to do so. If your scheme provides one six-nieth of final pay for each year of service, and everyone retires on £3,000 a year, members lose on average £25 pension out of a possible £2,000; but if you are unlucky,

you may lose almost £50. The same sort of thing may also happen at the end of your however. schemes count service only up to the annual entry date immediately preceding retirementon the grounds of administrative convenience: it means that all calculations for the scheme can be done once a

The result, however, is the exclusion of another period of up to a year. Again, the average loss, in the example above, is £25, but if you are unlucky it could be nearly £50. If you join just after the date—perhaps because you change jobs at the end of a week rather than at the end of a calendar month and your birthday, on which you retire, falls just before the annual entry date, you could lose nearly £2 a week. You will be unlucky if you

come off quite as badly as this, not only because it means you will have had bad luck in both respects, but also because in exciting reading, but in the respects, but also because in most schemes members retire on the first day of a month, and the annual entry date is usually also the first day of a month—so the maximum loss is 11 months. But the possible

When your pension comes to loss begins to look big enough

year if the two periods beginning and end—add up to a year or more. This helps, of course, and limits the loss in our example to under £1 a

Week.
When the new state scheme comes in in 1978 it is likely that more schemes (if they decide to contract out) will admit employees for pension purposes as soon as they join the firm, but the loss of part of a year just before retire-ment is less likely to be corrected.

In some schemes you have to wait longer than the next annual entry date before being admitted. Sometimes there is a minimum age; sometimes there is a qualifying length of service, commonly a year or

You may be credited retrospectively with this period, once you qualify for entry, but you

may not.

The position here is not dissimilar from that at the time a scheme is first started. Then everyone eligible for member-ship enters akhough they will already have some service with the employer. The difference in this case is that the previous service will vary widely in duration, up to quite long periods for the older employees. For these particu larly, therefore, it is a matter of considerable importance whether service to count for pension purposes includes ser-

vice before the scheme started. When the form of the scheme is being discussed, it is usual to try to do something to help employees in this situa-tion. Some schemes give full credit for service already completed; some give a limited credit, either allowing a reduced rate for earlier years, or putting a maximum on the number of years to count.

it is generally because the cost would be too great, and the choice is between not having a scheme at all, and allowing only years of membership of the scheme to count, possibly with the hope of doing something about this later.

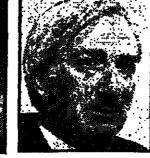
A sensible compromise is often to allow credit, perhaps at a reduced rate, but to cut back the normal scale from, say, one-sixtieth for each year one-eightieth. At a later date, it may be possible to in-crease this level again, before affects the employees.

I have explained in recenarticles how deductions or exclusions from pay may dra-matically affect the amount of pension you can expect. So too—although not to the same extent-may the exclusion of part of your service, especially if you do not work very long for the employer in question. year of service with the employer—may yield a larger pension than an apparently generous scheme, providing a sixtieth of "pay" for each year's "service", if "pay" and "service" are both subject to

Unit trusts



director of Britannia: Property can come right.



director of Tyndall: overseas support for In-



director Hill Samuel Trust Managers : Financial more









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A hand-picked portfolio of funds

advice. It is the standard and sometimes all too easy guidance sometimes an ion easy guidance given to people who want to know what to do with their money. And, of course, it begs the question: how good are the professionals?

Investment management is a mixture of research, timing and luck. No one can do much about the last of these, which is in the lap of the gods, but research and timing, are a more matter of fact affair.

Most unit trust groups have their own research and investment analysis departments and like all other institutional investors, they make extensive use of the more fundamental research conducted by stockbrokers.

The individual fund manager's real skill, therefore, lies in his timing—which incidentally is equally relevant to sell-

Save & Prosper UK Equity

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As a rather light-hearted exercise, I have asked members of the top 10 unit trust groups (measured objectively by the size of funds under management) to contribute their skill and expertise, not to mention luck, by nominating their choice for one tenth of a unit trust portfolio.

I am assuming that the portfolio has been designed for a modest investor with £10,000, who has heard of all the tax advantages of unit trusts but does not have any particular investment requirement other than a good capital performance and some expectation of rising

It is likely that such a novice would be attracted to the big names in the unit trust indus-try. But he would find that if he approached the groups direc-tly none of the managers would

THE MANAGERS' UNIT TRUST PORTFOLIO

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Intntl earnings Brian Pepperall

Brian Banks

Audrey Head

Tim Simon

Eric Barnes

Kenneth Plummer

David Maitland

David Hopkinson

ation of a fund which they thought would do best during

So we have saved this hypothetical investor what would be for him, the futile exercise of ringing or writing to the management groups; and, what is more, we have obtained the information he wants: which funds in their individual stable the managers recommend for

Looking down the list one is immediately struck by the conformity among the managers. With one exception all the funds nominated are United Kingdom-oriented (in sharp contrast to the rankings at the end of last year) with second-line shares and the financial sector attracting most of the votes.

After the strong recovery in the stock market, led as always by blue chip shares (major and

Mainline UK market a good bet

Actively managed in second-line

Has underperformed for two years

Smaller companies for latte

Recovery as sector has been

Shares still attractive: overseas

Interest switched to second-line

30% overseas will provide

more depressed than others.

After being out of favour could

come very much right.

stage of bull market.

investment interest.

Reasons for choice

companies.

give him a straight recommend- secure companies), it is natural to find that the clearing banks to find that the emphasis is and the merchant banks which murning towards the second- are included in the list of the liners. These are the companies top 10 unit trust groups should that investors, feeling that they have missed the boat with the market leaders, will almost banking collapse, financial

inevitable consider.

To the extent that there are enough punters sharing this philosophy, it is equally almost inevitable that they should show a burst of speed sooner or later this year.

do perform better in the latter choices, too.
stage (my italics) of a bull The odd m market.
In a category similar to that

the Allied Hambro second Smaller Companies fund are the choices of David Hookinson, investment director for M & and Tim Simon, chairman of

Recovery fund is now standing near its "high" Mr Hopkinson is still enthusiastic about this small fund, which in its early days was irreverently known as the "muck fund". Its size makes it possible to manage it actively.

Target.

Mr Simon is looking for middle of the road " fun fund again with the emphasis on second-line stocks, which, as he rightly points out, it is the job of fund managers to pick.

David Maitland, managing director of Save & Prosper, also sticks close to the domestic equities theme, but does not narrow down his choice to second-line stocks. The mainline United Kingdom marker is a good bet", he says. For speculation, however, he widens his choice to include the group's United States Growth fund.
It is not altogether surprising

or later, this year.

The only danger, as Mark St Giles, director of Allied Hambro, points cut in passing, is that these smaller companies do perform herter in the later.

The odd men out in the port folio are the selections from Brian Banks, managing director of Britannia, who has chosen the Property fund as a sweetener based on recovers pros-pects, although it is fair to point out that had it been a solo investment he would have gone for the group's Income & Growth fund. Kenneth Plummer, investment

manager at Lloyds has chosen the bank's Second Unit Trust because of the protection against uncertainties given by its 30 per cent overseas stake. Perhaps the most interesting choice comes from Brian Perperall, the managing director of Tyndall. It is the group's International Earnings fund.

As its name suggests, it goes for shares which gain much of their income overseas. These shares did well last year, but Mr Peoperall thinks that they

are still attractive.

But much more povel is his argument that these inter-nationally known companies are likely to be supported toreign investors as well as United Kingdom shareholders.

mind that each child is entitled

to the tax free single personal allowance of £735, there are

obvious tax advantages here.

Payment to the child direct

may cancel out the child allow-

ance because of the child

income limit, but presumably (and I put it this way as there is no law on the subject yet) this will become less important

in future years in view of the proposed fading out of child allowances in favour of child

(that is, £12 per week or £52 a

month) to the wife or direct to

the children will have to be made gross. Nonetheless, the payer will get the tax relief and

the recipient will be assessed

(technically under case III of schedule D) to tax if her total

income brings her into the tax

It frequently happens that

bracket.

Small maintenance payments

Margaret Stone

Insurance

but sur

The case prices for unit linked bonds

One of the tax attraction: unit-linked single prent bonds is that the income i the underlying securities, w is reinvested, suffers tax a more than the maximum of per cent paid by the life o.

which is well below the ginal rate for a high rate

Another advantage of a l is that, for 20 years, 5 per per annum of the initial in ment can be withdrawnof tax at the time since tax is deferred. These drawals are taken into acc when, finally, the bon-cashed—although, at that marginal rate of tax may be lower than during period when the withdra

were made. However, some life of have discovered that man those with substantial in ments have not been prep to forfeit their own investm in return for a share i company's unit-linked fun Among the reasons giver

that they prefer to have personal portfolio manage private basis, or that existing advisers will r investments which are 1 appropriate to them.

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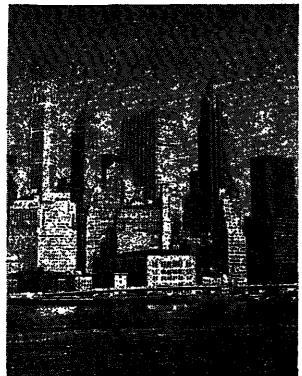
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Vera Di Palma I

There are, however, dr. KEIDOF ment. First, the transfer shares to the company ranks purposes. The attraction of scheme is reduced if a subst tial amount of capital gains has to be paid. Presently, course, any reasonably activ managed portfolio proba would show capital losses rat than gains; but it could be pity to realize losses and be able to make use of them the future—because fut gains will be made by the fund, with higher rate ince

bond holder is paid in cash bid value of the units still force (ie which have ne been cancelled to meet the v drawals), based on a fund va tion. The company says t in such circumstances, it I reserve the right to realize Personal funds are a fi

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Stewart American Fund

Financial problems of a broken marriage. part of your service, especially if you do not work very long for the employer in question. If all these aspects are favourable a scheme which looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with the looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for each looks quite modest—with say 1 per cent of total pay for the full year in the usual part of the children, the husband will charge if the children, the children, the husband will be a claim for the whole or come is sufficiently high. On the other hand, if they look discussed above). If the children, the husband will be a claim for the children, the children, the children, the children

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of his wife (or former wife) and children is one of the im-

If the parties cannot agree the courts will have to decide but, whatever the figures arrived at, both parties will need to understand the tax ramifications.

Once a divorce or separation has taken place each is treated as a single person and will be given the single personal allow-ance. For this purpose husband and wife are separated if there is a separation court order or deed, or if they are separated in such circumstances that it is likely to be permanent.

If the marriage ends during the tax year (which is more likely than a tidy April 5 parting), the rules are that the hus-band retains the higher marriage allowance for that year. If the wife has been working pefore the break-up, her carnings will have attracted the wife's earned income relief. Also she will be entitled to

the full single personal allow-ance against her income from the end of the marriage to the following April 5. This assumes that there is no wife's earnings election in force for that year; if there is, the single personal

allowance given to each will remain unchanged. The wife's income up to the

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Unit trust performance

UNIT TRUSTS: Growth and Specialist funds (progress this year and the past three years). Unlikelder index 1619.9, change from January 1, 1977: +1.8%

Average change offer to bid, net income included, over past 12 months: -6.2%; change over three years: +8.3%

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SPECIALIST

for the full year in the usual way and his wife's income up to the date of the divorce or After that date the woman

becomes a taxpayer in her own right and will have to submit her own tax return to include income for the remainder of the year up to the following April 5. This income, whether earned or unearned, is taxed Child allowances can give

rise to problems, because only one allowance for each child can be claimed, no matter who maintains the children. The tax office will accept whatever arrangement is agreed between the two parties.

They may agree that one of them shall claim the whole allowance or, alternatively, that each will claim a certain proportion of the whole. If they cannot agree the tax office will appare the allowance according the allowance according to apportion the allowance according to the contributions made each for the maintenance and education of the children. One important point to note

here: the taxman will ignore contributions made by the payer which are tax deductible. This means that where the husband makes alimony or maintenance payments under a legally binding agreement (dis-cussed below) they are dis-regarded by the Inland date of the end of the marriage regarded by the inland is treated as belonging to the Revenue when apportioning husband (unless the wife's child allowance, the reason

claimed by a separated or divorced parent provided he or she is entitled to child allowwould be entitled if the child income limit did not apply). A husband who gets the married personal allowance for

the year cannot make a claim. If both parents are eligible, the relief will be apportioned between each in the proportion agreed between them. If they cannot agree, the tax office will make the allocation

in the same way as for the child allowance. For the year in which the marriage breaks up the hus-band will get the proportion of child allowances up to the date of separation and for the remaining part of the year the balance will be allotted to one, or apportioned between both

parties. Turning to the tax aspects of the alimony and maintenance payments it is necessary to payments: It is necessary to know whether the payments are voluntary or made under a legally binding agreement, or a combination of both; what are the amounts involved and, finally, are they payable to the wife or direct to the children? If the payments are voluntary they are not tax deductible so far as the payer is con-cerned, neither are they taxable on the recipient. However, to the extent that the voluntary payments cover maintenance of

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ing that in which a separation takes place the husband will be given the married man's personal allowance; this does apply to a divorce. Again, there is the possibility of saving tax at the higher Where the payments are made under a legally binding agree-ment (commonly a deed or rates and at the surcharge rates. court order), the payer gets tax relief on the gross amount and

conversely the gross amount is treated as taxable income of the recipient. The procedure is that tax at the basic rate (35 per cent) is deducted at source. The gross amounts are also deductible in arriving at the husband's higher rates of tax, and the investment income sur-The wife (or former wife)

receives the income as un-earned, which means that not only will it be taxed at the higher rates if her total income is sufficiently high, but it will attract the investment income surcharge as well. However, there is the exemption from the surcharge for the first £1,000 of investment income, and also the first £1,000 of maintenance payments received each year is disregarded as investment income.
An important point to note here is that if the payments are stated in the agreement to be payable to the wife for the maintenance of the children they are treated as the wife's income and not the children's. They will thus attract the higher rates of tax and the sur-

the court order payments are augmented by the husband making voluntary payments as well. The voluntary payments are not tax deductible, but if they are made for the maintenance and education of the children they will count as contributions for child allowance purposes.

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The case ome-buying fer unit slow but sure bonds 'ise in nouse prices

the apparently insatiable stake in its equity—gets the hand for home ownership appreciation on the entire stand for home ownership appreciation on the day he tinues despite penal inest rates and personal

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®y high level of £500m a th for most of the year the mere fact that only im was promised to prosive borrowers in December reflection of inadequate agage funds, not a signifi-: easing of demand.

te classic arguments in the bur of owner-occupation as investment have perhaps investment wave during me a little battered during recent period of high inst rates and little increase house prices, but most is a le seem content, if not by, to accept the present luct of the country's econoin or shift in attitudes to

: ie ownership. istorically, one borrowed ley to buy a house because he beneficial tax relief, the ring effect and the appreion of an asset which outpped the cost of the loan. he introduction of a £25,000

ceiling for interest relief put a limit on the first sideration, but as the age size of a loan is still ut £8,000 it is not an inhibg factor for many people. interest relief is one day ricted to basic rate tax , as is sometimes threatthe picture might be dif-

he gearing argument is a stantial one and frequently rlooked. There are people think that it would be use to put aside the ley at present earmarked mortgage repayments into e form of regular savings.

completes his purchase. It would take many years for his nomic uncertainty. Last repayment of, say, £60 a month, to grow into a saved mest-egg of £8,000—which will nest-egg of £8,000—which will have very much depreciated in value by then.

The arguments for borrowing money to invest at a rate higher than the interest one is paying are better understood. Put simply, if the growth in one's investment, one's house in this case, is greater than the percentage interest rate one is paying—one is in pocket.

Historically, house-buyers have never needed to question this concept: house prices have shown large gains in excess of the net mortgage interest rate. Even last year, thouse prices, but most they kept their end up: at the end of 1976 buyers were paying a net 8 per cent (the net equivalent of the 12.25 per cent mortgage rate) while house prices also rose by 8 per

ills, rather than as a cent.

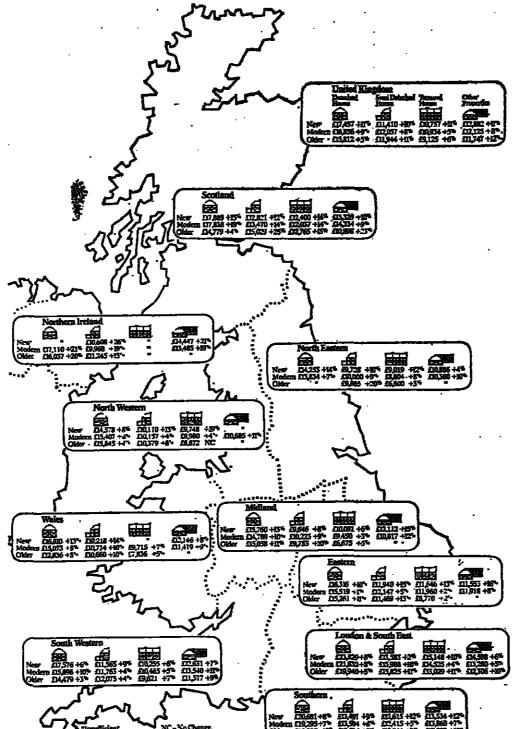
The figure of 8 per cent comes from the Nationwide Building Society, which during the week released its latest bulletin on house prices in 1976. The figures are based on the loans made by the society—the third largest in the country-during the course

They are a good indicator, but it must be borne in mind that they do not mirror the housing market in its entirety; and over the years it has become apparent that Nation-wide's figures, if anything, tend to veer on the side of

As might be expected, new bouse prices rose more rapidly than those of any other type of property. House-builders are under pressure and even now are finding it difficult to price their houses at a level both compatible with profits and what the public considers the market rate for new houses.

If the house price market were not dominated by secondhat is fine if it were not the fact that the first mortion down-payment secures the of an asset worth thou-Is, it takes many years to price by 10 per cent—although most parts of the country— in the last quarter in these mulate savings of the with the exception of Scotland recorded in the last quarter. areas.

Ivalent volume. increases were beginning to Older second-hand homes Perhaps the most heartening other words, the house-flatten off by the fourth had rather more support. The news for prospective purer—with only a minor quarter of the year.



NATIONWIDE BUILDING SOCIETY'S 1976 SURVEY

Percentage figures show changes in indices over the year ended December 31, 1976.

The category which showed the slowest growth during 1976 was modern second-hand properties, up by 7 per cent. Most of this growth came in the first nine months of the year,

In the northern regions and

Wales there was apparently a spurt in the prices of these with very small price improve older properties, which typi-ment—about 1 per cent in cally rose by about 4 per cent most parts of the country— in the last quarter in these

was 8 per cent and regional more easily afford to buy a variations are more marked in recent months.

more easily afford to buy a house than they could have three years ago. Earnings have risen by more than 70 per cent in that period, compared with a rise of 27 per cent in house

It all depends, of course, upon the availability of mortage finance.

Round-up

policy • Gains tax benefit

The range of new insurance products coming on to the market never ceases to amaze. Many new ideas, of course, are basically variations on an old theme.

Scottish Provident has just announced a new idea for its Reinforced Endowment Assurance-its low-cost endowment assurance plan. These are schemes whereby a mortgage is repaid off at the end of the term after the addition of bonuses at a conservative rate.

The old plan relied upon decreasing term assurance to oecreasing term assurance to rop up the necessary life cover in the early years of the morr-gage, but the new plan, to be known as Progressive Endow-ment Plan, uses level convert-

ible term assurance.

The idea is that borrowers. who are usually financially strained at the outset of their mortgage commitment, gradually become better off and might wish to take out further with-profits assurance. In these circumstances convertible term (based on one's current health situation) can be a useful

The Inland Revenue is rarely seen in a benevolent mood these days, but there are the odd flashes of generosity. Take the case of the person who has been unable to sell his old house but has moved into the

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Under the old rules if he had not sold his old house within mouths of moving into the new one he would have been liable to capital gains (time apportioned, of course) on the sale of the first house. The Revenue, keeping a sharp eye on house prices and more important perhaps, on the trend of bouse sales, announced in February, 1975—when the market was very sticky—that a modest extension of that statutory 12-month period would

Nearly two years later, it has actually got around to stipulat-ing how long that extension will be. It is for another 12 months. So owners who are experiencing difficulty selling houses at the top end of the market, which are still moving very slowly, now have a two-year grace period before falling into the gains fax net. Credit

Convertible Going still tough for borrowers

Interest rates are now unquestionably on the decline, which should be good news for borrowers. Ironically, however, the climate for borrowing by private individuals has rarely been tougher

The first point is that, for various technical reasons, the three successive drops in the Bank of England's minimum lending rate from 144 per cent to 14 per cent over the past month or so have not been accompanied by any reduction in bank lending rates to their

The reason for this is that banks are less concerned about the level of MLR than the cost of money to themselves when they have to raise it in the interbank markets. Interbank rates have not been falling in line with MLR, largely because the huge sales of gilt-edged securities have created a short-age of funds in the wholesale noney markets

However, the Bank of England has now acted to ease the acute shortage by returning to the banks £740m which it held in the form of special deposits. If its action has the desired effect, there could be some scope for an easing of interbank rates, although other circum-stances—such as the traditional January tax gathering season—could still operate to keep rates

Unless there is a relative change in interbank rates, it could require up to another } percentage point drop in MLR before the banks would feel under pressure to cut their own base rates from 14 to 131 per cent.

The real problem for borrowers, though, is not just to do with interest rates. It is also to do with availability of finance.

The key factor limiting availability has been the introduc-tion of the Bank of England's so called "corset" scheme. This is essentially a device to control the growth in money supply by restricting the ability of banks to take in new deposits upon which they have to pay interest. In practice the banks are already hard up against their limits—indeed, slightly over by the end of the first week in

December-and are therefore anxious to discourage the in-flow of new interest bearing deposits. By the same token they cannot afford to increase their lending on any significant What extra lending the banks can do is being reserved for

priority borrowers as defined by the Bazk of England, which includes manufacturing indus-

gaged in import substitution. It was clear from the point when the "corset" was intro-duced that personal borrowers were going to find it more dif-ficult and for most of the clearers this has now become formalized in the shape of letters of guidance from head

offices through to managers at the branch level. Of the big four clearers, only Lloyds has felt it unnecessary to back up previous guidelines with a new letter.

While there are some varia-tions of emphasis the theme of the new letters is that bank managers should curtail per-sonal lending tightly. Bridging finance for house purchase will be much more difficult to

When overdraft facilities fall due for renewal, banks will take the opportunity to cut out any unused headroom and, although unused neadroom and, armough there is no suggestion yet that overdrafts will be actually called in, it is clear that new overdrafts will be very hard to obtain. Midland, for example, has made it clear that its new personal lending will be concentrated very much on term loans with a firm schedule of

loans with a firm schedule of repayments.

Barclays' personal lending is being held at present levels, and new loans will only be made to the extent that old ones are repaid.

All of this means that private individuals interested in her.

individuals interested in borrowing to pay, say, for a new car, are much more likely than in the past to be channelled into the hire purchase com-panies which, of course, charge higher interest rates than the banks. United Dominions Trust, for example, is at present charging a flat rate of 15 per cent, which is equal to a true rate of 30 per cent on a twoyear loan.

The hire purchase companies, the biggest of which—with the exception of UDT—are in any case subsidiaries of clearing banks, fall within the confines of the corse scheme and thus also face limits on their capa-city to enlarge the overall size the companies, by their nature, enjoy a very generous cash flow. Loans are restricted to no more than two-year maturity with fixed repayments during their life and as a result there is a constant inflow of lendable

The time may come when even the hire purchase com-panies will feel the squeeze, but for the moment they are still in a position to lend at a price. Christopher Wilkins

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A majority of investors,

MAIN RISES AND FALLS OF THE WEEK

The New Age of Steam..

AP Cement

LEP Group

Golden Hope

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Oil Exploration

De La Rue

Travis & Amold

164p + 11p 89½p + 6p 125p + 12p 112p + 28p

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Now. You have until January 21 to buy shares in the Great

though, expect a decline, in decline in interest rates as a spite of what some consider to likely spur and Monday's be strong evidence to the contrade figures may point the trary—a 100-point rise in the way, at least in the short term. FT ordinary share index in At last night's close of 363.9 barely three months. The the FT 30-share index stood 1.4 bears argue that, with most lower over the week and of the good news now out, showed a 9.2 rise over the week and of the good news now out, showed a 9.2 rise over the forthere will be little investment nightly account. incentive until the budget in Meanwhile, the gilt-edged

Comment

Speculative interest

"Sell" recommendation Wall St and profit-taking

Profit-taking after figures

Export orders

Figures

Gilt market

Market trend

ugh the release of special future holds and even those the spring—when there should market, has outperformed the k deposits gave shares a who make a science of such be some clearer indications main equity sectors of the fift on Thursday, the predictions—the "chartists", about future pay policy—or market, but here, too, profitched as a whole did little to for example—find it difficult beyond, when North Sea oil taking kept most prices below the fundamental quest to agree. Their opponents point to the At the start of the week the absence of a new long "tap" stock meant that investors did not have to reserve money for it and, as such, proved a strong

incentive. Later a new short-dated issue of £500m, originally intended as a tap, was swallowed up in one go.

A new £1,250 long tap was announced last night.

Fixed interest dealers have tended to come round to a more

bullish view of next week's trade figures than their counterparts in equities. But their more cautious view on interest rates was borne out when the mini-mum lending rate was left unchanged yesterday.

As for company news, the week was notable for its lack of blue chip results. The one ex-

ception was an interim state-ment from the electrical leader Thorn which was more or less in line with expectations and, as such, brought little reaction. Over the week the A shares, the most actively traded, were 8p lower at 208p.

The easing of the credit

queeze brought an immediate response from the clearing banks, in particular Barclays, which ended the week 8p better at 270p, in spite of worries about its interests in southern

Elsewhere in the financial sector figures from insurance broker Hogg Robinson, down 10p at 127p, failed to live up to best expectations and brought a note of nervousness to the pitch for a day or two Building industry shares were given a mid-week filip by an unexpectedly buildish broker's circular. Most made some headway but the best were AP Cement up 11p to 164p after news of a big export contract, and Travis & Arnold, up 28p to 112p after meshylanhiated. to 112p after unsubstantiated bid rumours had spurred sizable speculative interest.

In stores a lot of activity was reported in Burton shares which come see as a prelude to a bid; a Lonrho/Combined English Stores consortium has been rumoured. The shares lost lp over the week, finishing at 52p. Kwik Save, down 4p to 129p, also featured, with reports that nearly 1 million shares had changed hands outside the market.

Bid interest still turned on Spear & Jackson, down 6p to 114p and still defending against Hestair, and Richards of Shef-field, which is fighting a United States approach from Imperial Knife.

Curiously enough, another Sheffield steel company Sander-son Kayser sprang to life on bid talk, and gained 10p in a day. But the company denses any approach, and over the week the rise was 7p to 48p.

David Mott

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risen by 808%.

Japan continues to offer an outstanding investment opportunity - especially today. New expansionary policies were introduced in early 1975 and production is rising, though it is still below the 1973 peak. Industrial investment continues at

by the Tokyo Dow Jones Index, have

a high level and this is backed by a strong currency and substantially increased Hong Kong exports

up 46% in 10 months Hong Kong has a capitalist, free-trade

economy with a phenomenal rate of growth in recent years. The Gross Domestic Product is estimated to have grown in 1976 at least 16% in real terms. Exports rose in the first ten months of 1976 by 46%. Yet this growth is accompanied by a level of inflation of under 4%. The performance of the economy is reflected in the strength of the Hong Kong dollar - one of the world's most stable currencies - which has gained 15% over the U.S. dollar during the last ten years.

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Short tap that never was but latecomer long cools ardour

credit squeeze and the prospect of lower interest rates brought a brisk trade, especially in the pre-lunch session.

The new 122 per cent stock, riginally intended as a short tap but oversubscribed, ended £12 above the issue price of £961, while late in the day, dealings were suspended for a quarter of an bour before the announcement of the new £1.250m long "tap" stock.

Earlier, profit-taking and an unchanged MLR—some had appropriate the appropriate the state of the stat

expected a token quarter-point cut—had lowered most prices "shorts" and mediums closing at around overnight levels and long dates, nervous shead of the new "tan", lower by around three-eighths. After hours trading saw some switching to the shorter end of the

range.

By contrast, equities were very subdued, with most stocks managing to hold on to small gains in the face of end of account profit-taking. By the close, the FT Index, 2.3 ahead at 10 am, was just 0.6 better at 363.9.

Dealers take a bullish view of next month's figures from Manchester Ship Canal and would not be surprised if pre-tax revenue more than doubled to cround £4m. The prospect of a ividend of over 20p gross.
-aginst 19.48p, has stirred.
-rerest and the shares have 'em 135 in a week to close at 700p last night.

This left it just 1.4 lower over the week and 9.2 up for an eventful account.

The immediate future for ruities remains uncertain, but 'nnday's trade figures may nint the way, at least for the

Among the "blue chips", 'ortunes were very mixed with gain of 4p to 380p for secham and one of 20 to 297p r Fisons. But the other side the coin had Unilever 60 for 347n and BAT Industries nwn 4p to 265p after a "sell"

In shippings, speculative in-rest was directed again into ommon Brothers, hetter by 5p to 178p. and Reardon Smith rdinary which closed 12p to he good at 1800. An active F O ended a point easier at 121p but there was some light demand for both Furness Withy 3p to 217p and British & Com-

monwealth 1p to 220p.

Over in electricals, interim figures from Thorn were more or less in line with most expec-tations and the "A" shares Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.54.

Gilts continued to seal the finished 2p lower at 208p. Hambro Life proved a firm limelight as the easing of the Farnell responded to comment exception with a rise of 2p to credit squeeze and the prospect with a jump of 3p to 83p, but 187p.

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moved 124p. The engineering pitch saw APV, up 5p to 275p, and Birmid 3!p to 61p. But others to go ahead included GKN 1p to 284p, Davy Ashmore 2p to 156p and Glynwed 1!p to 86p.

Over in buildings, Travis & Arnold continued to go ahead on speculative interest accompanied by varue hid talk. The

panied by vague bid talk. The rise yesterday was 11p to 112p, making a jump over the five days of 28p. But AP Cement, another strong at the moment because of its export orders, still 11p to the good over the week. Other firm building spots were BPB 1p to 121p and Ibstock Johnsen 1p to 82p.

In the oil sector, BP closed just 2p off at 792p, very much in line with the market. Shell continued to benefit from its tax agreement with Royal Dutch and added 2p to 470p, while Oil Exploration suffered again on the news of a plugged well. The loss yesterday was 3p to 93p, making a drop of 11p in the two days since the

news came through. North Sea potential was good NOTES Sea potential was good for a rise of 3p to 95p for Cawoods while Lasmo, hoping for good news on the Ninian Field production, added 3p to

In bids. C. & W. Walker lost to 110p after news of the offer withdrawal, while Kimpher put on 6p to 30p after terms from Guinness.

Interest rates hopes put the snortlight on property shares, but Capital & Counties lost 21p to 10p after a pre-tax loss and a dismal statement.

But brighter spots were to be found in Land Securities, up 4p to 149p, Bernard Sunley 2p to 100p, Great Portland 2p to 210p and, best of all, Hammerson "A", which firmed another 8p to 333p, making a gain of 11p over the week On a generally weak insur-

banks themselves were surpris-ingly subdued with tuppenny losses from Barclays 270p, losses from Barclays 270p, Lloyds 220p and National West-minster 230p.

Up went Bowthorpe by 3p to 41p, the electrical and electronic component group that drums more than half its earnings from abroad and hoisted interim pretax profits by 43 per cent to a record £2.59m, Last October the directors were supremely con-fident. This good going may explain gossip of a change in the group's relationship with a Los Angeles electronic group, Deutsch, which in the last accounts was shown to have 11.1 per cent of the equity.

The firmest was Midland which managed to hold on to its overnight 272p. Some helpful comment pushed up Porter Chadburn 4p to 62p.

to benefit from figures and put on another 10p to 335p. Two others with figures were Vitatex 28p and Turner Manuboth

facturing 56p and both unchanged. In after hours trading, there was a mixed reaction to the new long "tap" in gilts. Long dates issues weakened a further three-quarters of a point, but "shorts" benefited to show further gains of around a quarter or so.

The new short finished at the top, with a premium of £1.9/16. In equities, Lamson Industries attracted interest at 53p, up 3p, and Thorn "A" halved its earlier loss to 2p.

Equity turnover on January 13 was £65.54m (14,068 bargains). According to Exchange Telegraph, active stocks yesterday were ICI, Shell, Barclays, BP, EMI, BAT Dfd, BAT Ind, P & O. Tricentrol, National Westminster, Royal, MEPC, Land Securities, Lonrho, GEC, ance pitch, Hogg Robinson lost Common Brothers, Reardon a further penny to 172p after ordinary, Thorn "A", Pauls & figures earlier in the week, but Whites and Oil Exploration.

Latest dividends

	J. W.				
Company (and par value)	Ord div	Year	Pay	Year's	
Brent Walker (5p) int	0.35	ago 0.35	date 11/2	total	year 1.01
Cray Electronics (10p)	0.53 0.5	0.5	12/4		1.3
Leyland Paint (25p) Fin	2.51	Nil	31/3	3.31	Nil
Louis Newmark (25p) Int	2	1.5	8/3		5.42
Spencer Clark (20p) Thorn Electrical (25p)	1.26 2.22	1.15 2.02	4/3	2.14	1.95 5.98
Turner Mfg (25p) Fin	2.22	2.03	. <u> </u>	3.57	3.25
Vita-Tex	1.2	1.2	1/4	_	2.7
Dividends in this table are	: shown	лet of	tax on	репсе	per 'share.

Lonrho buying nearly a fifth of Newman but no bid yet

Loprbo has agreed to buy plenty of work for the rest of 19.3 per cent of Newman Industries for £876,000, 13p above the sults for the second six months market price of 37p yesterday. The bulk of the holding comes from TPG Investments, indirectly controlled by two Newman directors, Mr Alan Bartlett, chairman and chief executive and Mr J. Laughton. Mr Laughton has resigned from the

The stake was built up as a result of Newman's controver-sial takeover of Thomas Poole & Gladstone last year.

Loorho says that it can offer "significant investment and marketing opportunities" for the engineering group through their worldwide trading operations

tions.

Mr F. Butcher, who joins the Newman board along with Mr Roland Rowland and Mr R. Dunlop, says that there are " no present intentions" to increase the stake. But he could "give no promises" that Lonrho's intentions would not eventually

Newmark breathless

Topping expectations in 1975-10pping expectations in 197576 with a best-ever pre-tax profit of £1.62m, Louis Newmark then paused for breath. In the first half year to October 2, 1976, it only edged ahead, and for the full year to April 3, 1977, the board only experts 1977, the board only expects profits to match last year's. The electronic and precision engineer reports pre-tax profit for the opening six months up from £734,000 to £753,000 and earnings a share from 11.37p to 11.67p. The interim dividend rises from 2.3p gross to 3.08p.

Vita-Tex blossoms

The six months to October 31 has brought more than doubled pre-tax profits of £197,000 to Vita-Tex, the warp knitted fabrics group. Turnover rose from £2.7m to £3.4m. Yet the divided only 1.84p gross again. The board says that current trading is good. If there is no change in domestic spending the second half year should show a similar result to the first. This indicates a 25 per cent rise in yearly profits to £394,000.

Newall Machine continues recovery

Returning to dividends last year, Newall Machine Tool has kept up the good work in the six months to September 30 last. After burgeoning from £109,000 to £278.000 in the whole of 1975-76, pre-tax profits in the latest half year sprang to E277,000 compared with £140,000. Sales were virtually unchanged at £3.8m against

The board reports that out-standing orders should mean profits for the whole of 1976

should at least equal those now should at least equal those nor reported. If so, a total of at least £554,000 is likely, Newall's second best-ever profit. In 1972-73 it turned in a record

73 it turned in a record £730,000. The group pays a single and final dividend. Last year this was 0.49p.

Last October shareholders were told, of satisfactory arrangements with the DTI and the group's merchant bank for repayment of loans

Spencer Clark slumps 65 pc

lent. But pre-tax profits in the year to September 30 plunged 65 per cent to £313,000, though the dividend rises from 3p gross

to 3.29p.

The 42 per cent fall in profits to £184,000 in the first half year was said to be in line with expectations. Lack of trade and higher costs were blamed, but a recovery was on the way. The record £748,000 made over the whole of 1974-75 would not be equalled. Matters turned out: to be much worse than that. The second half brought in only £129,000, a drop of 70 per cent.

Tricentrol limit on foreign holders

Triceatrol has reduced to 10 per cent the maximum number of shares which can be held in it by foreigners or non-United Kingdom companies. The articles limit overseas shareboldings to 20 per cent of the issued

capital. The group said that no registered transfers into the name of a foreigner or foreign cor-poration will be made for a bargain made after the close of business yesterday. Transfers of transactions made before then will be registered provided the 20 per cent foreign holding limit is not exceeded.

Brent Walker falls but upswing seen

After a leap in interest barges from 534,000 to charges from 534,000 to £116,000, pre-tax profits of the Brent Walker leisure group fell from 5211,000 to 574,000 in the half year to July 11. Profits included rents receivable of £23,000 against £14,000 and interest receivable of £6,000 against £17,000. Turnover im-proved from £1.99m to £2.4m. Mr L. A. Curtis, chairman says that trading interests did well and despite continuing

to have been about twice the £194,000 achieved a year earlier. However, an out-turn of £388,000 would still be one third down on the 1974 record profit of £580,000.

Leyland Paint sweeps to peak

It has not taken long for Leyland Paint & Wallpaper to show that 1974-75's plunge in pre-tax profits from £960,000 to £424,000 was just a hiccup.

Sweeping from £68,000 of pre-tax losses to £310,000 of profits in the six months to April 3, the group went on to make a record £1.39m in the The board of Spencer Clark year to October 2.

Metal Industries declares that long-term prospects are excel
20.19m with home sales 520.19m with home sales accounting for £17.1m and exports £3m.

> Douglas Paybody who suc-ceeded Mr Bryan Jones as chairman last May (Mr Jones, managing director, is now his deputy) point to better business in all divisions and benefits from recent capital spending. Business this year has started well. Even better, it shows "a continuation of the progress made in 1976". A final dividend of 2.51p makes 3.31p net or 5.1p gross for the year. This is the

The directors under Mr

Bid for Kimpher as Guinness takes 54 pc

Up jumped the shares in Kimpher, the advertising group, by 6p to 30p on an Arthur Guinness plan to bid. The black stout brewer has bought 32.6 per cent of Kimpher at 30p to bring its stake to 54 per cent —so a bid for the rump is auto-

The offer values Kimpher at £510.000 and proposals for the purchase of the loan stock will made.

Guinness says that the "most amicable working relationship between Kimpher, and Keed-ham, Harper and Steers, the United States advertising group. will remain unchanged.

JF Nash sells off stake in Fisher

The long-standing clash be-tween Mr Alan Fisher, former chairman of Albert Fisher Group, and J. F. Nash Securities appears to be over. Nash has completed the sale of its holding of 1.16 million Fisher

any stake in Fisher.
The Fisher group states that
District Bank (Blackpool)
Nominees has bought the Nash
holding.

TV rental, overseas energize Thorn

Overseas earnings and continued growth in colour television rental at home and abroad were behind Thorn Electrical Industries' 34 per cent

rrical industries 34 per cent pre-tax profits boost in the six months to September 30.

On external turnover, 25 per cent ahead at £491m, profits rose from £31.5m to £42.4m.

These were after depreciation charges 20 per cent up at £41m and finance charges 25 per cent down to £3.2m.

The figures were exactly in line with market forecasts. So the shares which have improved by more than 50 cent since October eased 2p yesterday to 208p. Mr Richard Cave chairman says that the consumer spend-ing boom ahead of the mini-

Budget in December got the second half-year off to a good start. The year's results are expected to show satisfactory

The interim dividend goe: by the maximum to 3.43p The group claims to } taken a conservative view exchange gains and reports overseas business has show

real improvement The consumer business in Australia was ticularly buoyant while co TV rental in Europe made ;

A reorganization in the S African associate hit sales ri and a provision has been n to cover Thorn's share of lo: But this has been offset exceptional gains of a sin amount on sales of trade in

ments in the United Kingdo On the domestic from lighting division boosted pr but trading in consumer tronics products was dult most of the period. Mar were still suffering i inflation.

Turner M overtakes £2m and motors steadily

By Tony May
The "modest increase" forecast for Turner Manufacturing's pre-tax profits for the year to October 2 was better than that. They rose by nearly a fifth to 223m, the first time that 52m

has been passed. Turnover of this Wolverhampton-based commercial gearbox maker, which exports about 20 per cent of output, increased from \$16.6m to \$19.6m. This meant a small rise in margins from 11.2 per cent to 11.3 per cent. At half time, after a 7.5 per ceut gain in profits to £925.000, Mr S. V. Lancaster, chairman emphasised that mar-

scheduled to go up a bit the event, the half year sa 23 per cent rise to £1.3m. Net profit advanced 5905,000 to £1.05m and board raises the dividend t 5p gross to 5.49p. Earr a share were 10.5 against year of "steady progress" The results and forecast though they have gaine

Dana Corporation and board hold over half the grc equity between them, so shares are a fairly tight man Dana took its 35 per gins were under increasing stake in 1972 with the pre pressure. But profits in the that Turner's directors we second six months were have to approve any taket

Choices for Poseidon

Whether the shareholders in fees, though they had been Poseidon maintain an interest pended since October 8 las in its various projects will depend on the receiver/manager appointed by the Australian Industry Development Corpora-tion, chairman Mr Eric Rudd, said in Adelaide.

He told the annual meeting that Poseidon's assets or its corporate structure itself, with the considerable tax losses availholding of 1.16 million Fisher able, should provide the shares (about 29 per cent) for receiver manager, Mr Noel about 5104,000 cash, equivalent Buckley, or the AIDC with variation and share the s to 90 a share. It no longer has ous alternatives in which shareholders could take part.

Mr Buckley had Poseidon's 7.7 m 20 cent par shares removed Burra C from stock exchange lists on ing a ca December 22 to save listing Reuter.

The chairman said m mining companies have sh Poseidon's ventures. Mr B ley recently refused an c for the company's 47 per stake in Kalgoorlie Lake V Property. KLV holds 52 per cent

Kalgoorlie Mining Associ-operator of the Mount Charl gold mine at Kalgoorlie, W ern Australia Though Me Charlotte is unable to conper cent-owned Windarga Ni. Mine and the wholly-on Burra Copper Mine are genuing ing a cash flow for the grou



In order to finance our medium term capital expenditures we increase our capital stock by DM 120 million to DM 1,888 million by means of issuing new shares.

SUBSCRIPTION RATIO: 1 FOR 15 AT THE PRICE OF DM 130.-

For 15 of the old shares at a face value of DM 50,- our shareholders may obtain one new share at a face value of DM 50,-at a price of DM 130,- free of stock exchange turnover tax.

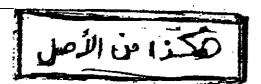
Our shareholders may exercise their subscription rights in the

FROM JANUARY 26 UP TO AND INCLUDING FEBRUARY 8, 1977

by submitting dividend coupon no. 32 of the old shares to our paying agents (Kleinwort, Benson Ltd., London; S.G. Warburg & Co. Ltd., London). The subscription price must be paid no later than February 8, 1977.

Application has been made for the registration for trading and official listing of the new shares at all German securities exchanges and at the stock exchanges of Amsterdam, Antwerp, Basel, Brussels, Geneva, Paris, Vienna and Zurich.

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a city group. nere has been speculation Unicorp has attempted to se of its shares. The holdwas bought in 1969, and at ertakes f point in 1973 was valued point in 1973 was valued parly £28m. It has a market of just £1.9m now. teadily - Wallis admits that "one

wains admits that one into be a little discouraged an investment that success, in disappearing, but things happen from time into a lime and generally we sit of the learnt in the mining busiis not to jump out at the the long term future of the en times are better we may

again ". nnouncing half year nue losses of £605,000 and 5.3m capital loss, much of h related to exchange es on the group's overseas owings, the retiring chair-Sir Richard Thompson, yesterday: "Regrettably I tot forsee any improvement he second half year."

PC, ranked among the top property companies in the try before last year's £270m ramme of sales and provi-, plans another "rigorous og programme" this year, rding to managing director, Dennis Marler.

te group has sold, or is relating to sell, £12m of low ling British properties in current financial year, to ∴ Maτch narch nareholders funds at

year amounted to £42.1m, and 560 a share. The shares, th have yielded only a nomito 10p yesterday.

Briefly

M FEED HOLDING rm Feed Formulators has ht 12,000 shares in Farm Formulators (South Western) 30,000 cash, bringing holding 0 per cent.

Y ELECS SLIP turnover of £4.08m against 1 for the half to end-October, pre-tax profit of Cray Elec-cs down from £219,000 to 000 and earnings a share an adjusted 1.55p to 1.49p. im 0.77p gross again.

PRESS-JAS SCOTT er by William Press for ord imes Scott Engineering re-l acceptances for 96.1 per of equity. Press now con-96.4 per cent. EY SELLS STAKE

rey Brothers has sold inter-Macgregor Wallcoverings to r. Jeuson & Nicholson, the ity holder, for £100,000. HROME REPAYMENT whrome International has I the whole of its United borrowing amounting to

ALFRED MARKS a Interim SA offer for i Marks Bureau uncondi-. Acceptances for over 58 ent of equity.

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oa consumption? de sources in London report iations have been taking in Moscow this week on the of Soviet cocca consumption g 1977. These talks could ren a cut in Soviet imports beof current record world; the sources added to month, Gill and Duffus ist Soviet grindings this year total 130,000 tonnes, against stimated 140,000 tonnes in and a record 150,000 tonnes.

Bank Base **Rates**

rclays Bank ... 14% asoldtd Credits 14% rst London Secs ,14% Hoare & Co. .. *14% oyds Bank 14% diand Bank .. 14% z Westminster .. 14% ssminster Acc's 14% enley Trust 16% illiams & Glyn's 14% 7-day deposits on sums of 10,000 and under 11°s, ip to £25,000, 11°a% over 25,000, 11°a%.

Commodities

Reuters' index at peak of 1,587.4

156.54c; 15-day average, 142,00c, 122-day average, 140,30c. (US cents per lb).

SUGAR closed very stardy.—London daily prices, "Raws" were £1,00 lower at £121,00. "Whites" were £1,00 up at £145,00.—March, £123,80,23,00 per hebric ton: May, £135,75-35,80; Aug. £137,50-37,75. Oct. £138,75-39,00; Der, £140,60-40,75; March, £143,50-43,75; May, £144,90-44,96; Sales: 4,832 lots, £64,96,44,96; Sales: 4,832 lots, £64,96,44,96; Sales: 4,832 lots, £64,96; Sal Reuters' Commodity Index yesterday rose by two points to reach a record of 1,587.4.

The current level of the index, which groups 17 internationally-traded commodities, of which 15 are quoted in sterling, compares with 1,574.1 on Friday of last week and 1,199.6 a year ago.

The previous index "high" was on July 7, 1976, when it reached 1,586.8.

Constituents of the roads prices, 8.35c, 17. day average, 7.50c. grices, 8.35c, 17. day average, 7.50c. sovablean pulsal closed steady.—Feb. 2153, 96-50 pp. metric ton. April 2154, 60-54, 70; Dec. 2151, 96-52, 10 pp. 2154, 96-50 pp. 2155, 9 Constituents of the trade-

Constituents of the trade-weighted index (based on September 18, 1931 equalling 100) that contributed to the rise included cotton, rubber, cocoz, tin, lead and zinc.

COPPER.—Wire hars closed steady, quiet. Cathodas classed quiet.—Afternion.—Cash wire bars, 1795, 50-50-50 a metric ton; three months, 1839-9-50, Sales, 3,250 tons (mainly carries). Cash cathodes, 1783, 84; three months, 1838-9-50, Seltiment, 1838-9-50, Seltiment, 1839-9-50, Seltiment, 1839-9-50, Seltiment, 1839-9-50, Seltiment, 1839-9-50, Seltiment, 1839-9-50, Seltiment, 1839-9-50, Seltiment, 186,50, Seltiment, 186,50, Seltiment, 1839-9-50, Selt London Grain Futures Market (Gafta).—EEC origin, Barket was steady.—Lan. £82.20: March. £84.25: March. £84.25: March. £84.25: Soyl. £95.80: Nov. £92.50. Barket 150 lots. WHEAT was steady.—Jan. £85.60: March. £87.45: £95.15. E95.15: 167 lots. £92.25: Nov. £95.15. E95.15: 167 lots. Authority's location exhaun spot prices: Non-hered making making field freed freed

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> RICHARDS SHARES DEALS Warburgs on Thursday bought 130,000 Richards of Sheffield (Holdings) at 29p for Imperial Knife Associated.

WALKER OFFER WITHDRAWN Bespoke Securities, for Berrybest, says that Berrybest's offer for C. & W. Walker Holdings being withdrawn with consent of Takeover Panel, concurrence of Walker directors, and adviser

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E3,818-830; Jan. £3,821-823. Bales: 4.547 lots, including 80 options. 59ALM 01L was quiet.—Feb. £275.50-75,00; April. £276.00-79.73: June. £276.00-81.00; Ang. £283.00-84.00; Dec. £281.00-84.00; Per. £281.00; Per. £ Foreign Exchange COCDA closed strong.—March, COCDA closed strong.—March, CL 228,0-30.0 per metric ton: May 22,194,0-93.0; July. 22,138.0-60.0; Sept. 22,060.0-65.0; Dec. El,885.0-94.5; March, El,840.0-44.5; May 21,785.0-94.5; Seles: 13,226 lots. Including 15 options. ICO prices: daily. 156,64c: 13-day average, 142,00c; 122-day average, 140,00c. (US cents per 18).

Business in sterling was mainly confined to inter-bank customer activity yesterday with little com-mercial or speculative dealings

mercial or speculative dealings otherwise apparent.

After fluctuating within narrow limits throughout, the pound closed a mere five points lower at \$1.7110, compared with \$1.7115 overnight. Sterling's tradeweighted "depreciation", however, was able to hold a slight advantage, ending at 43.1 per cent compared with 43.2 per cent overnight.

Dealers said weekend influences restricted business and, with the Bank of England keeping out of the market, volume was thin;

Bank of England keeping out of the market, volume was thin; once again the dollar hogged the limelight. The United States unit continued to make headway on the likelihood of higher United States interest rates in the short-term. Gold closed \$0.50 down at \$131.625 an oz.

Spot Position



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IWC raises wheat crop

The International Wheat

Reductions in crop estimates

in South America and Africa were more than offset by in-creased output in North creased output in North now America, Asia and Oceania. cent.

Council (IWC) estimates 1976 world wheat production at two million tonnes above its previ-

estimate to record

wheat market report.

THI-WGI Trafalgar House Investments has reduced holding in WGI by sale of 10,000 ordinary shares. THI

now holds 1.08m, about 23.9 per

Discount market The Bank of England was again required to assist the discount market on a huge scale yester-day—the last day of an exceptional week in money markets. The authorities lent an excep-

tionally large sum to nine or ten houses over to Monday at a rate below MLR (14 per cent), the significance of Monday being that this is the day scheduled for the pay-over by the Bank of England of some £720m of special deposits. The special rate given again reflected the exceptional circumstances and was not meant to be stances and was not meant to be a signal for interest rates in the coming week.

The Bank of England also bought a moderate amount of Treasury bills from the banks and houses and local authority bills from the houses. All the underlying factors were rather distorted by Thursday's massive application for the Exchequer 121 per cent 1981 stock.

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Wall Street

New York, Jan 13.—Stock prices rebounded from two-tonsecutive days of heavy losses, to close broadly higher in active trading.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which plummeted more than 18 points in the two prior sessions, finished the day up 7.90 points to 976.15. 976.15.

Issues in the broader market also enjoyed the benefit of some new-found support with about 1,035 issues advancing and about 435 declining. Volume was 24.78 million shares, compared with 22.7 million on

ing in reaction to the market's recent declines.
Late in the session, the government reported that retail sales last week fell 0.2 per cent from the preceding seven days, but were up 8 per cent ou a year-to-year comparison.—AP-Dow Jones.

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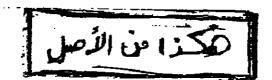


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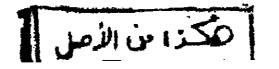




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ACROSS 1 Timely to aid the dried up (6). 4 The one that went through the pavilion window? (5-3).

10 I'll rate the change to be far from metaphorical (7). 9 A homely divinity connected with wings (4). 11 In the plane's path, a bolting horse (7).

12 Such deadly bores! (3-7). 16 Lay flags up, make 12 fiet of a prairie-schooner? speech, vanish (9). 3 List of a prairie-schooner? (4).
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Broadcast suffice (7).
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30 Was involved in the traffic of Deal (6).

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